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MASSING TO MEET METHUEN

Boers Concentrating in Large Numbers at
Spytfontein Where a Big Fight May
Take Place.

LADYSMITH RUNNER REPORTS ALL WELL

Rumor That the Boers Attacked the Garrison and Were Repulsed With Heavy Losses—Free Staters Retire—
Canadians at De Aar.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 7.—A rumor on the stock exchange here to-day that Ladysmith had been relieved aided the market, and caused noisy bidding for South African securities.

Reported Boer Defeat.

A story was current at Durban on Tuesday, Dec. 5th, to the effect that the Boers made what was thought to be their final effort to capture Ladysmith on December 4th, that they had been defeated and had retreated.

As the story was brought by runners, it should be received with caution, as the unreliability of these "Kaffirgrams" is notorious.

According to this report the Boers opened a furious bombardment during the morning of December 4th. After several hours the British silenced the Boer guns, made a sortie and hard fighting followed, the Boers retreating after heavy losses, estimated in hundreds.

Over a Hundred Boers Killed.

It is reported from the Orange River to-day that 107 dead Boers were taken to Kaffraskop after the battle of Belmont.

Free Staters Retire.

A dispatch from Frere camp partially confirms the retirement of Free State burghers from the vicinity of Ladysmith.

New Advertisements on Page 8.

Xmas Perfume

Our stock contains the leading odors of the following manufacturers:

Roger & Gallet, Paris, France
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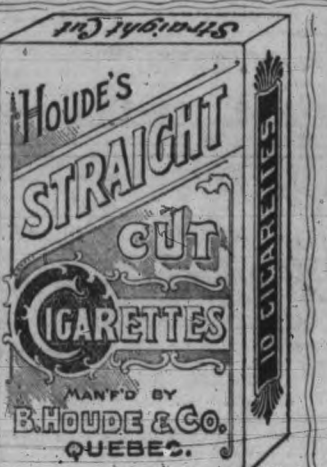
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of Spitskop, Wimbledon siding. Major Scott-Turner with the mounted troops attacked the enemy's right flank, capturing a laager and three redoubts. The enemy's fourth redoubt made a stubborn resistance when Major Scott-Turner was killed. The British captured many shells and destroyed other stores.

Increasing in Number.

The same dispatch gives reports from Col. Kekewich dated December 3rd and 4th showing the Boers were increasing in numbers around Kimberley.

Annexing British Territory.

The Boer advance in the northeastern part of Cape Colony is becoming remarkable. Local farmers are flocking to the Boer laagers, the townspeople in many instances welcoming the invaders with every demonstration of joy. Annexation of British territory proceeds daily.

The reports of Boer successes have made a great impression among the Boers.

Winston Churchill.

Advises from Pretoria say the government has allowed two cable messages to reach Winston Churchill.

The mint at Pretoria is coining a hundred thousand sovereigns monthly.

Three Colonials Killed.

The war office has been notified that the British had five killed and 25 wounded in a sortie from Kimberley on November 25th, including three colonial officers.

Anxious to Go to the Front.

Special dispatches from Lorenzo Marquez dated Tuesday, December 5th, says Kruger is only prevented from going to the front by the objections of members of the executive council. Mrs. Kruger is ill.

IN NATAL.

A Runner From Ladysmith Reports All Well—
Boers Bombard Ineffectively—Firing on Burger Scouts.

Frere Camp, Natal, Dec. 6.—A runner from Ladysmith to-day reports all well. The bombardment, the messenger adds, continues to be ineffective, the Boer shells only hitting the houses.

Correspondent Arrested.

Pretoria, Dec. 6.—A special dispatch received here says The British fired on some Republican scouts south of the Tugela this morning. There were no casualties.

A newspaper correspondent named Lynch, who entered the Boer lines at Ladysmith on Monday with the alleged purpose of exchanging newspapers, has been made a prisoner and will be brought to Pretoria.

CANADIANS AT DE AAR.

They Are Now on Their Way to the Front.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The Globe this morning publishes the following from its special correspondent with the contingent at De Aar:

"De Aar, Dec. 6.—We are now camped at De Aar and go to the front to-morrow. All well."

WESTERN BORDER.

Methuen Resumes Command and is in Communication With Kimberley—Steyn Joins the Boer Forces.

London, Dec. 7.—The war office has received the following message from Gen. Forestier-Walker, British commander at Capetown:

"Wednesday, Dec. 6.—Gen. Methuen wires to-day that he has resumed command and is nightly in communication with Kimberley.

"The health of the troops is excellent."

Steyn at Modder River.

London, Dec. 7.—The announcement is made in a special dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated Sunday, December 3rd, that President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has joined the Boer forces at Modder River. His appearance, it is added, caused great enthusiasm among the Boers.

Another Sortie at Kimberley.

Pretoria, Dec. 6.—Official dispatches received here from the different Boer forces say all is quiet except at Kimberley.

(Continued on page 8.)

We are Prompt, We are Careful and We are Always at Our Post.

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CORNER OF FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS
VICTORIA, B.C.

For Pure Drugs and Chemicals.

The Siege
of LadysmithBoers Mount a New Gun Which
Completely Commands the
Town.They Have Been Shelling the
Camp—Closing In on the
Garrison.

London, Dec. 7.—Heliograph communication has been established between Ladysmith and Pieter, and it is reported all well at the British garrison up to Sunday.

According to a dispatch from the Boer laager, by way of Lereford, Marquardt, dated Thursday, November 30th, confirms the report that the commandos have been closing in on Ladysmith and mounting big guns in new positions. According to the same advice, a heavy cannonade has been maintained, and a general assault had been ordered for Thursday morning, but was countermanded at the last moment.

A Boer camp, dated December 5th, says: "The Boers are firing into Ladysmith. It is rumored that 6,000 Boer troops have left Ladysmith, entertaining the gravest fears as to the safety of their own country."

Dispatch from Ladysmith.

Ladysmith, Dec. 2.—The hottest bombardment of the siege took place on Thursday. The Boers got a new big gun in position on Lombard's knoll, completely commanding the town, and shelled our camp that day and yesterday, planting shells with great accuracy in the camp of the Gordon Highlanders, and Manchester Regiment, where there were many narrow escapes.

To-day the enemy resumed the bombardment, doing some very effective shooting. Several of our guns have been shattered by the Boers' big gun.

IN THE WEST.

Methuen Still at Modder River—Details of the Siege from Kimberley.

London, Dec. 7.—Dispatches from Modder River says that the Boers are encamped amid the hills half way to Kimberley, but it is also added that the direction of Jacobusdorp. It is possible therefore that Lord Methuen may endeavor to clear his right flank as far as Jacobusdorp before continuing his advance. He is still waiting at Modder River for guns and ammunition.

Firing on the White Flag.

The report from Kimberley on November 25th appears to have been much more serious than had been supposed. Details are now arriving of a reconnaissance in force by mounted troops under Colonel Scott Turner, C.B., in the direction of a ridge near Cattle's Farm, where the Boers were strongly entrenched. Finding the Boer pickets asleep, Colonel Scott Turner proceeded along the ridge under cover and rushed the Boer redoubts, at 5.25 a.m., in the face of a hail of bullets. The Boers hoisted a white flag and fired at the British under its protection before surrendering.

Owing possibly to the exhaustion of their ammunition the British were unable to follow up the attack and seize a large Boer laager about three hundred yards ahead, especially as Boer reinforcements were seen approaching and the enemy was keeping up a heavy fire from the shelter of the thick bush. During the sortie an armored train recommissioned north and south while a considerable force of British with field guns and Maxim's advanced toward Sp. rington, finding the Boers in check in that direction. Ten guns were engaged simultaneously, and, viewed from the country tower, an artillery duel seemed proceeding in every direction, except towards Kenilworth, the fusillade being terrible at 8 o'clock.

Having no force sufficient to hold the position he had stormed, Major Scott Turner began to gradually retire his men. He had a horse shot under him and a bullet went through the fleshy part of his shoulder.

Several men had terrible wounds. It is alleged that the Boers used Martinis and explosive bullets and that they frequently fired at the ambulance wagon.

The British captured twenty of the enemy. There appears to be some doubt as to whether this was the reconnaissance in which according to the announcement of the war office, Major Scott Turner was killed, or whether that officer met his fate in a subsequent sortie.

WANTED—A CONSUL.

United States Government Trying to Find a Representative in Pretoria.

The state department to-day heard some things about Mr. Attorney, who has been designated by Consul Macrum to take care of American and British interest in the Transvaal until Mr. A. S. Hay reaches Pretoria, that adds to the embarrassment of the government in securing consular representation there. "Bridg," it is charged that Mr. Attorney is not the proper person to represent the United States. The department will make inquiries into the allegation.

tions, and if they are confirmed, it is likely that he will not be permitted to serve until Mr. Hay gets there.

Meanwhile the department is looking around for a suitable man, an American citizen who is near enough to the Transvaal to get there quickly, but all those who have been suggested are too far away. From all the department can learn there is not an American citizen at Pretoria who is in all respects fitted to perform consular duties there.

"Permission for Macrum to leave has already been given. The department came to the conclusion that his frequent appeals to be withdrawn, despite the refusals of the department, showed that his usefulness as a representative of the United States has been seriously impaired and that his presence in Pretoria officially was of no benefit to this government or to Great Britain, with the care of whose subjects he was charged."

The Washington correspondent of the Tribune says: "The only plausible explanation of Macrum's actions is that he is frightened out of his wits. His conduct is in sharp contrast to that of the British consul who represented the United States in Spain last year and particularly to that of the heroic Ramsden, whose instrumentalities in securing the surrender of Santiago was of incalculable advantage, and whose death was due to his devotion to duty."

U. S. Senator's Resolution.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Mr. Mason of Illinois offered the following resolution in the Senate to-day and asked it be allowed to lie upon the table until he should call it up:

"Whereas, from the hour of achieving their own independence, the people of the United States have regarded with sympathy the struggles of other people to free themselves from European domination;

"Therefore resolved, by the Senate of the United States that we watch with deep interest the heroic battle of the South African Republic against cruelty and oppression, and our best hopes go out for the full success of their determined contest for liberty."

RHEUMATISM—CANT EXIST.

When the kidneys are kept healthy and vigorous by the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, it is not only the blood by defective kidneys that causes rheumatism, Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills make the kidneys strong and active in their work of filtering the blood, and thus remove the cause of rheumatism. One pill a dose; 25 cents a box.

A HOT FIGHT.

Americans Repulse Eight Hundred Filipinos Who Attacked Vigan.

Manila, Dec. 6.—Eight hundred Filipinos, commanded by Gen. Mino attacked the American troops under Lt. Col. Parker of the 45th infantry, commanded at Vigan, province of South Ilocos, on Monday, December 4th (not last night as previously announced). The American force consisted of company B of the 33rd regiment and 150 sick men, many of whom shared in the repulse of the first attack, which was made at 4 o'clock in the morning and lasted until 8 o'clock. The Filipinos came from the outskirts of the town to the fort. The fighting was from house to house and almost hand to hand. The Americans captured 84 rifles and several prisoners. Col. Parker praised the bravery of the sick soldiers. Every man who was able to stand handled a rifle during the attack.

A fierce blizzard struck Buffalo yesterday morning and continued till evening. Snow fell heavily and the wind reached a velocity of 54 miles an hour. Street car traffic was paralyzed for the greater part of the day.

"A Cheerful Look
Makes a Dish a Feast."

"Cheerful looks" depend just as much upon physical well-being as upon natural disposition and temperament. If the blood is disordered, the brain is starved, and no "dish" is a feast, for the reason that the vitalizing elements do not reach the proper spot.

A step in the right direction is to purify the body by the use of a natural remedy. Hood's Sarsaparilla is Nature's remedy. It acts upon the blood, and whether the seat of the disorder is brain, stomach, liver or kidneys, the purifying process of this medicine is equally sure and successful. It never disappoints.

"Back Ache."—My mother had severe pains in her side and back. She was obliged to give up work. A friend persuaded her to take Hood's Sarsaparilla and soon she was able to do her work, free from pain and had a good appetite. MAGGIE MORRIS, Nasonworth, N.B.

Nerve Food.—"My wife was stricken with nervous prostration. She suffered from headaches. She became weak, low spirited and her appetite was poor. I am glad to state that Hood's Sarsaparilla has completely cured her of all her ailments." G. BELLAMY, 321 Hannah St., Hamilton, Ont.

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Hood's Pills cure liver bile, the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Towards
KimberleyAn Eventful Train Journey From
Capetown to De Aar
Junction.Correspondent of the London
Daily Leader Tells of Scenes
En Route.

British Camp, De Aar, Oct. 15.—My dash on Kimberley has ended in my train being stopped by Boers on this side of that town. I am, therefore, spending the day in camp here, and proceed to Natal via East London by train to-night.

On boarding the train at Capetown on Friday night I promptly undressed and went to bed. Although I make this as a direct statement, it should be regarded as merely incidental, and introduced simply to enable me to mention the comfortable travelling arrangements on the Cape Government railway.

Corridor carriages of all classes are provided with beds, which fold against the sides of the compartments at day and let down for use at night. The trains are furnished with electric light, a good supply of filtered drinking water on hand, while the facilities for a wash and brush-up en route are excellent.

It is a steady up-hill journey from Capetown to the frontier, where we are about 4,000 feet above sea level. Practically the whole time the engine is snorting and tugging like mad, giving a jerking motion to the carriage, which is conducive neither to steady sleep nor even to securing a refreshing rest. We had the army medical corps hurrying to the front ahead of us. The effect upon our progress was precisely similar to what happens to an express in England when it is preceded by an express train. We pulled up sharply enough to turn us over in our beds regularly about once an hour.

On, On, in the Desert.

Still, despite all this relative comfort, there was no inducement to remain in bed when, between five and six o'clock, the bright sunshine commenced to stream through the carriage window. Not that there was much to be seen outside. The train was plodding its way over a sandy desert flanked on either side by sloping sandstone mountains. Scarcely a scrap of vegetation met the eye—nothing but a stretch of yellow sand limited by yellow sandhills.

You quickly tire of what I suppose I must call the landscape, and looking nearer the track you are struck by the number of empty whisky bottles and empty soda-bottles which can almost be said to wait it, for there are no hedges or railings in this country. If Johannesburg and Bulawayo only manage to do well in the future we need not despair of having the railway line through the continent nicely enclosed in this unique way before many years are over.

I was travelling with an Italian count—a fellow passenger from England on the Norman-bound for the front in hopes of being accepted as a volunteer for service with the British. What possesses him to come all this distance on the bare chance of getting an opportunity of fighting I cannot imagine. But he is not alone. On my arrival at De Aar I found four Britishers almost in tears because neither the Fighting Fifth nor the Yorkshires, who are in camp here, want volunteers.

They are determined to try to push through to Kimberley. I am not giving much for their prospects until our troops have opened the road. Well, my Italian friend, pointing across to the sandy slopes, exclaimed enthusiastically: "There are the future vineyards of the world!" He may be right, but as they look now I would not back a blade of grass to live twenty-four hours.

Breakfast at Matjiesfontein.

The roadside towns, when Kaffir kraals are kept distant from them, are models of brightness and cleanliness. I breakfasted at Matjiesfontein, where we overtook the medical transport train and got a clear way, as we thought, to Kimberley. Here I made the acquaintance of Mr. Logan, member of the Cape Legislative Assembly, making his way to Mafeking, where his workmen are holding out.

Before leaving Matjiesfontein he enrolled his 40 employees there into a corps, provided £1,000 for the purchase of rifles and ammunition, ran up the British flag over his house, and told me that he understood that he counted on finding there when he returned. The whole population turned out to cheer the train.

At a wayside station last night a party of English girls formed up on the platform and sang "The Soldiers of the Queen" as we steamed away. The war is undoubtedly popular with Britishers in the Colony, but the Dutch element is distrusted. I am afraid to anticipate what will happen if the Boers get a more successful, or if more are reported, because these rumors do mischief. Were it not for the antidote provided by the passage of troops and warlike material—guarantees of Britain's greatness—which are being transported through the colony—discontented Dutchmen might already have become troublesome.

I saw yesterday what one would never have believed could be necessary on British territory—our own railway bridges, culverts and cuttings were strongly guarded by troops to ensure the security of the line of rails.

A Disquieting Spectacle.

You expect to meet with such precautions in the heart of an enemy country, or where the railway runs along the frontier, as between Mafeking and Orange River, but right in the middle of your own loyal colony—I confess I saw with apprehension this display of force.

About ten minutes after leaving Matjiesfontein our train crossed the one taking Mr. Coningham Greene from Pretoria to Capetown. His saloon was preceded by about a dozen wagon-loads of refugees. We hurriedly collected all the other Capetown papers in our carriage and rushed down the line, waving to which he responded by stepping out on to the platform at the back of his train and waving his hand.

I don't think anything else worth mentioning happened until nightfall, when we came across the debris of the train wreck at Three Sisters siding. We also passed an upturned train making its way to the front—with better luck than its pioneer, it is to be hoped. It looked like a number of enormous zinc tanks mounted on wheels.

Then we prepared for a nasty night. If we were to reach Kimberley in the morning it meant passing along the line skirting the Free State frontier under cover of the darkness. This was more favorable to a party of raiding Boers than to us.

So when turn-in time came revolvers and rifles were got out in readiness for emergencies. We vacated a compartment in the centre of the train for the women, closed all the venetian shutters as well as the windows, and piled our portmanteaus and pillows inside to serve as barricades.

As we were a hundred miles off any possible trouble we went off to bed, and we fast asleep when the conductor came round to tell us that we might do so comfortably, as he had received orders to hold the train at De Aar until daylight.

We reached this place between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning. Will excitement was manifested to tell us some important news, and very soon half the train was on the platform with just an overcoat to hide pyjamas.

The Boers were in possession of Modder River bridge; they had torn up the line nearer here, and were menacing it.

"No train forward to Kimberley?" we inquired of the stationmaster.

"None!"

"What is the latest from there?" was our next question.

"None; wires down," came the laconic reply.

I looked across the hill-end plain. The points of a thousand bell tents seemed lost in the great expanse that I saw under the bright moon. I saw that came from the sinking moon.

This was my first glimpse of the front.

This is the thus far shall thou come and no further which we have set up for our enemies on this side.

After seeing it I went to bed again.

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FRENCH CONSPIRATORS.

Scenes in the Senate—Counsel Suspended for Three Months.

Paris, Dec. 6.—Chief of Detectives Henion on whose report the prosecution of the conspiracy cases is mainly based, testified in the Senate, sitting at a high court yesterday, in support of his allegations. Counsel demanded that the court refuse to admit police reports as evidence, whereupon the court deliberated secretly and rejected the demand, at the same time sentencing one of the counsel to three months suspension for remarks insulting to the court.

At today's sitting several police officers testified that an understanding existed between the anti-Semites and the Nationalist and Socialist leaders.

Supt. Payraud deposed that a committee for a federation of the various leagues had been proposed.

During the presentation of this testimony M. Guerin and other prisoners frequently interrupted with vehement protests. M. Puyraudet, however, maintained that his evidence was correct, adding that at one meeting the question of a triumvirate had even been discussed. M. Depoude, he said, was to have been one of this triumvirate, but he considered it inexpedient to mention the names of the other two.

This testimony evoked violent exclamations from the prisoners and their counsel, and the court thereupon adjourned.

Yacht chassis can be filled, but the heart of man can never be satisfied—Chinese proverb.

FEMALE MAIL.

That sounds more contradictory than it is, when attention is called to its being a description of the largest mail received by any man in the United States exclusively from women. This "female mail" is received by Dr. R. V. Pierce, the celebrated specialist in women's diseases, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

It is only fair to say that it is not the man that women write to, but the doctor. The female mail is a feature of this correspondence is that years after a cure has been effected, grateful women continue to write to Dr. Pierce, being thankful for advice and for the kind and fatherly health, which was blended with the physician's counsel, and which was so helpful in preserving the health when regained.

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RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Representatives of several railway companies appeared before the Interstate Commerce Commission to-day and asked for a further extension of time to equip their lines with safety appliances under the act of March 2, 1893. John G. Cowan, president of the B. & O., and representing as chairman 88 other roads having 80,000 miles of line, made the opening argument. He said that the present withdrawal of the 175,000 unequipped cars would practically paralyze interstate commerce. He did not believe it an exaggeration to say that no road had enough cars for its business. Beyond the addition of one year more requested, he said, the roads would ask no further extension.

Mr. Clark, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, said he desired to express the consensus of opinion of men engaged in the engine and train service of the railroads. The law was enacted for the protection of the employees and the public. Two years ago the employees joined with the railroads in asking for an extension. Although loss of life was inseparable from work upon railroads the employees wanted to be reasonable. In 1898 he said 1,958 railroad employees were killed and 31,701 had been injured. Of these over 600 had been killed and over 6,000 injured in coupling cars. If the law had been obeyed and had accomplished its object none of these men would have been killed or injured.

It is probable the commission will grant the railways a further extension of six months within which to comply with the safety appliance act.

OWEN SOUND ITEM

Diabetes the "Incurable" Cured by
Dodd's Kidney Pills.Charles T. Byre the Fortunate Man—
Suffered for Three Years—And
Three Boxes Cured Him.

Owen Sound, Dec. 6.—Although there have been people cured of Diabetes in this town before by Dodd's Kidney Pills, it caused a great deal of surprise when Mr. Charles T. Byre's case became known. Mr. Byre lives in Garrowsen, nine miles from here, and is very well acquainted in this district. Almost every body knew Mr. Byre was suffering with Diabetes and had been for years.

Diabetes was until recently absolutely incurable, or at least nobody in this section of the country had ever been cured of it. There have been cures of Diabetes in Owen Sound—quite a number of them, but only by the one medicine—Dodd's Kidney Pills. Any new case always causes wonder over now.

Mr. Byre describes his experience as follows: "I have been a sufferer from Diabetes for over three years. I have doctored with every good doctor but got no relief. I read of the wonderful cures Dodd's Kidney Pills had made and concluded to try them for myself. I have used three boxes and I am completely cured. They are a splendid pill and should be in every household." At Dodd's Kidney Pills are fifty cents a box, six boxes for \$2.50, or will be sent, on receipt of price, by The Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

HOW PLATE GLASS IS BEVELED.

Process Requires the Greatest Skill on the Part of the Workmen.

Beveled glass is not new, but it is now far more extensively used than formerly. Twenty years ago beveled mirrors were comparatively rare; now they are common and are seen in many shapes and sizes, says the New York Sun. Beveled plates, large and small, and both straight and bent, are used for various other purposes. The process of glass beveling is very simple, but the work calls for skill on the part of the operators.

The plate to be beveled goes first to the roughing mill, which is a solid, heavy steel wheel about two feet and a half in diameter, set horizontally and turning at a high rate of speed. The upper face, or top, of this wheel is slightly roughened. Suspended over the wheel is a big hopper containing sand, which is fed down through a spout in such quantity as may be required upon the top of the rough-faced steel wheel. The grinder holds the plate to be ground in his hands, with the edge to be ground off on the face of the roughing mill; he shifts the plate along as the glass is ground away by the expert grinder, holding a sheet of glass against the roughing wheel in this manner, will grind a true bevel with a perfect straight line along its inner edge, and he brings the side bevels together with a perfectly true angle at the corners.

In the roughing mill the bevel is wrought to shape, but its face is rough-looking and feeling, in fact, like what it is, ground glass. The plate goes then to the emery wheel, also of steel and set horizontally, suspended over this wheel is a little hopper filled with emery, feeding down upon the wheel. Upon this wheel the rough face of the bevel is again ground, the plate being held in the same manner by a grinder, and the surface is brought nearer to smoothness.

From the emery wheel the plate goes to the smoothing stone, which is also set horizontally. The smoothing stone, which is of an extremely fine sandstone, is made with its upper surface flat, that against which the glass is brought, very slightly convex. This stone is finished perfectly smooth and it is so fine grained that to the touch it seems almost to be polished. A tiny stream of water, enough to keep the face of the stone wet, is made to trickle down upon it, and the glass is held to this wheel just as it was to the others, and here the beveled edge is brought down to a smooth surface, but not polished.

The plate goes then to a polishing wheel made of wood and set to turn vertically: the beveled edge of the glass is held against the edge, or face, of this wooden wheel as it rapidly revolves. The face of the wheel is kept wet and constantly supplied with pulverized stone. Upon this wheel the beveled edge gets its first polish. The glass then takes the final

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step in the beveling process. It goes to another wheel, also of wood, and also turning vertically, whose face is of felt. The face of this wheel also is kept wet and it is supplied with a fine polishing material called from its color, rouge. Here, as at the first polishing machine, the glass is held with the bevel against the edge, or face, of the wheel. On the rouge wheel the bevel gets its final polish and finish and the surface of the beveled edge, which, after the first operation, was rough like ground glass, is now as smooth and as polished as the flat surface of the plate.

Great plates that are too big to be held by hand are locked into a frame that can be moved as to bring the edges to be beveled against wheels adjusted for the purpose.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

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A seat in the New York stock exchange was sold yesterday for \$40,000. This is the highest price ever paid for a seat in New York.

The surprise of the trial of Roland B. Molineux at New York for the murder of Katherine J. Adams was the sudden introduction of the prosecution of direct testimony that Molineux harbored bitter enmity toward Harry Corah.

Tenders for Refuge Home.

FOR SALE—Tenders will be received by the undersigned until December 9th for the purchase of the property known as No. 108 Commercial street, containing a lot 60 by 120 feet, and a house with nine rooms. The highest or any tender not accepted. H. G. Hall, 12 Bastion Square.

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FOR THE PO

The Ladies' Auxiliary

Seven Hundred Dollars Realized at the Charity Hospital Ball.

The Funds to Be Largely Devoted to the Surgeon's Residence.

The Women's Auxiliary Society for the Jubilee Hospital held their monthly meeting in Hotel Dillard yesterday, the reports submitted showing a very gratifying state of affairs in connection with their useful organization. There was a good attendance, and the principal matter discussed was the result of the recent charity ball given to swell the proceeds of the hospital.

The encouraging financial results of the ball were set forth by the secretary's report, which was read as follows:

Madame President and Ladies:

Since the last meeting of this society the work of the active committees has been chiefly devoted to promoting the success of the annual hospital ball, which took place on the 16th ult. In connection with this undertaking thanks are due to the following members and friends: To Rear-Admiral J. A. Beaumont, for the use of the flags of H. M. S. Warspite and for the services of the flagstaff band; for donations to wards the ball fund—Mrs. Beaumont, Mrs. Abraham E. Smith, Mrs. Thomas Earle, Mrs. Galtely, Mrs. P. O'Reilly, Mrs. Worlock, Mrs. Bowker, Mrs. Macmillan, a friend, and Lieut.-Col. Prior and Lieut.-Col. Gregory; for the sale of tickets to the total amount of \$500—Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Granville Smith, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. H. D. Heineken, Mrs. Appleby, Mrs. W. Langley, Mrs. Gove, Mrs. Ben. Gordon, Mrs. D. Broderick, Mrs. Richard Jones, Miss Pemberton and Mrs. Hassell; and for volunteer service at the door—Mr. Philip Austin and Mr. Robert Jenkinson; for decorations and furnishing of the ball room and drawing room—Mrs. Granville Smith, Mrs. W. Langley, and Mrs. Keefe; the essay corners—Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Burton, and the Misses Pemberton; general work in the hall—Mrs. A. T. Smith, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. C. H. Todd, Mrs. T. T. Jones, Mrs. Richard Jones, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Crane, Mrs. E. G. Tilton, Mrs. (Dr.) Wilson, Mrs. Rollin, Mrs. William Dalby, Mr. Roche-Robertson, Mrs. Rykard, and Mrs. Hassell. The entire and beautiful arrangement of the supper room was due to the efforts of Mrs. H. D. Heineken and Miss Goodwin, and the refreshment room was very prettily arranged by the Daughters of Pitt. The supper itself was most generously contributed by members and friends, to the amount of about two hundred dollars. It is impossible to give names in detail, but grateful thanks have already been returned through the press. It would be difficult to express sufficiently how grateful were the supper committee, not only for the generous response to their appeal, but also for the quality and dainty arrangement of the viands supplied. The service of the supper room was undertaken, and most faithfully carried out, by the following ladies: Mrs. Barham, Mrs. Solly, Mrs. Schroeder, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Melrose, Mrs. Broderick, Mrs. Hassell, Miss Christie, Miss Mackay, Miss Jaudon, Miss Wollaston, Miss Goward, Miss Gordon, Miss Beale, Miss Saunders, Miss Lead, Miss Colquhoun, Miss Hunt, Miss Manley, Miss Marsh and Miss Macdonald; and the committee generally was ably directed by Mrs. A. T. Smith, Mrs. L. Goodacre, Mrs. Simon Leiser, Mrs. Wm. Dalby, Mrs. Stadthagen and Mrs. C. P. Todd. Thanks are also due to the president of the board of directors, H. D. Heineken, for securing many contributions, especially wine and groceries, and to the vice-president, Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt, as also to Dr. Heineken and Mr. Fred. Peters, for cases of wine; to Mr. Alex. Wilson for services rendered, and to many other members of the board for their contributions, assistance and support; also to Mr. D. Cameron for securing milk and cream; and to Mr. Evans for milk and cream; and to the Taylor Milling Co. for remitting \$4 off their bill for lumber. The committee desires to say especially how deeply sensitive they have been of the good feeling which has prevailed throughout the whole work. For ten days and during that period were hourly encouraged by visits of interest and offers of general assistance by friends too numerous to mention. Every one seemed willing to help, or to sympathize—the greatest factor in every undertaking.

The children's night was also an unqualified success, and the committee were ably assisted by the Daughters of Pitt, and the younger members of the hospital wards. The financial results of the ball are as follows:

Grants received \$1,102 00

Expenses 497 00

Net result \$ 604 24

With regard to the general work of this society, the sheets asked for have been supplied through Mrs. A. T. Smith, Mrs. M. A. Adams and the Mesdames Westcott, and the sheets ordered for the electric lights have arrived. Five tablecloths, two tray cloths, one wrapper and one night shirt have also been returned finished. The work of the Daughters of Pitt continues with enthusiasm. The membership increases at each meeting, and on Friday they decided to assist in the Christmas decorations and tree at the hospital, as their work for this month.

The treasurer's statement is as follows:

Collected by Mrs. Campbell \$ 18 00

Balance in Bank Dec. 1 156 60

Bills ordered paid 32 25

Cash balance \$106 75

B. M. HASSELL, Secretary-Treasurer.

This report was received with approval and the ball fund was next discussed. Some time since the increased accommodation for the staff of the hospital, and for a house for the resident medical officer—provided that the necessary sum should be subscribed within a reasonable

time limit. The ladies had decided therefore to place \$500 from the next ball fund to this sum, making \$1,000, the finance committee of the hospital undertaking to try and raise the remaining \$1,000 necessary before operations could be commenced. The ladies' auxiliary fund, in the joint hands of the treasurer of the board of directors, and the treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary, The \$155 made on the children's night, together with the small balance left from the ball fund will be added to the fund for the children's ward, and placed in the same trust as the request of Mr. Joshua Davies. The secretary called the attention of the meeting to the annual report of the P.R.I. Hospital published about three months since, and to the report of the committee of ways and means contained therein on page 36.

From this will be clearly seen: the number of needs still before the public, which hamper as yet the perfect operation of the hospital.

The Children's ward, so nearly provided for, can be built so soon as the increased accommodation for nurses is provided, and this calls therefore for the initial effort, as, without more nurses, no further work can be undertaken.

The urgency for a maternity ward is also frequently demonstrated—not only to meet the needs of an isolated population—but also to give the nurses an opportunity to complete their training.

It may be hoped that all these considerations will in time meet the recognition of a public, at all times responsive and generous.

The meeting then decided that the work for this month should take the form of making the Christmas season as beautiful as possible at the hospital, and of carrying love and attention to those who, through sickness and suffering, are prevented from sharing it in the homes of their families and friends.

Before adjourning it was moved and passed that this society meet on the 1st instead of the 2nd Tuesday in each month, this being more convenient to many regular members, after which an adjournment was passed and the next meeting called for Tuesday, January 2nd.

AN ALPINE TRAGEDY.

"The Climbs of Norman-Nerida," edited, and with an Account of his Last Climb, by Lady Norman-Nerida, has just been published. Last September, Mrs. Norman-Nerida was killed in the Alps. On the 9th of the month, along with his wife and a Herr Theodor Dietrich, he started from St. Ulrich in Germany to make the ascent of the Funtener Spitze by the southern route. The party commenced their ascent at twenty minutes past eight in the morning.

The idea of ascending the Funtener Spitze over the difficult southern route was his husband's, and he had stated his opinion from what he knew of Herr Dietrich's and my climbing capacities that it was not undemanding more than lay within our power to accomplish. He had already ascended the peak twice over that route, and stood on its summit six times. It has been asserted that a possible cause of the accident was "over-exertion in pulling up two inexperienced climbers."

With regard to this, I will only say that the very fact that my husband left me to get up the most difficult place as best I could, leaving the rope actually slack between us, was the first incident that gave me reason to think he was not quite himself, for generally he would never neglect even the slightest detail of the art of climbing. At first all went well, and it was not until we had surmounted the difficult block above the "Kiroh" that my husband owned to not feeling well, and complained of severe pains at the back of the head. Both Herr Dietrich and I used every effort to persuade him to give up the ascent, but he refused, saying, etc.

A drink of water seemed to revive my husband, and presently he announced his readiness to continue the ascent.

After he had mounted up a few feet he turned to us and apologized for going so slowly, saying that he was out of breath. Again we suggested a retreat, but he refused. For the first time in any of our numerous climbs the idea crossed my mind that something might happen, and I asked my companion to stand in front of me—naturally I was roped in the centre of the party—to secure the rope. A moment later my husband called down to us, "Now we've got it; the worst bit is passed."

Scarcely another moment later, on an easy place, without any sign of a slip, or any apparent reason for one, he called: "Ich falle, ich falle; halt!" and, without even an attempt to save himself, fell backwards.

Hand in with the "chimney" some 20 feet below us (90 feet in all), striking his head against the wall, he then disappeared from our sight. It was only by a miracle that he did not drag his two rope-connected companions down the abyss with him.

MEMER, THE MILLIONAIRE.

A contemporary gives the following interesting information about "Chocolat-Memer," the producer which has made millions for Memer, the Antioch King.

The Cocoa bean from which it is produced, is grown on Memer's own South American plantation. It is transported on his own fleet of steamers to his great factory at Noidel (near Paris).

town of Noidel, it might be mentioned, contains the homes of two thousand of his employees. The sugar used in making "Chocolat-Memer" is manufactured in Memer's own refineries. His works are reached by his own railroad. In the whole history of commerce there has scarcely another instance where an article has obtained such world-wide popularity. "Chocolat-Memer" is used by all classes, in all countries. It is the favorite drink of the wealthy, and is equally appreciated by people of small means.

Sir James Winter, the premier of Newfoundland, will replace Mr. Morine, the dismissed minister of fisheries, by Mr. Goodridge, member for Twillingate.

Mrs. Chas. Smith, of James, Ohio, writes: I have used B.B.B. remedy for sick headache I could bear of for the past fifteen years, but Carter's Little Liver Pills did me more good than all the rest.

In Brave Company

Canadians to Co-operate With the Black Watch and Seaforth Highlanders.

A List of Titled Officers Doing Duty in South Africa.

Regarding the paragraph in Tuesday's issue stating that the Canadian Battalion had gone to the front to act in concert with the Black Watch and Seaforth Highlanders, it is surmised that the Canadian Battalion has joined the 1st Brigade, 1st Division, in place of the 1st Battalion Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders, which was hurriedly pushed forward and arrived just in time for the action at Modder River. The 3rd or Highland Brigade is commanded by Major-General A. G. Wauchope, C. B., C.M.G., whose brigade major is Lieut.-Col. J. H. C. Ewart, p.s.c., Cameron Highlanders, and Captain J. G. Renne, Black Watch, is aide-de-camp to Major-General Wauchope. The 3rd Brigade consists of:

2nd Battalion Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), Lieut.-Col. J. H. C. Ewart.

2nd Battalion Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs), Lieut.-Col. J. W. Hughes-Hallett, D.S.O.

1st Battalion Gordon Highlanders (of Dargach), Lieut.-Col. G. F. Downman.

1st Battalion Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders, Lieut.-Col. G. L. J. Goff.

Major-General Wauchope, of Gifford, has considerable war service and has twice unsuccessfully stood for election to the House of Commons, on one occasion he was the late Mr. Gladstone's opponent at the Midlothian election.

About ten days ago the Times published a list of the titled officers of the Imperial Militia called up for embodiment with their various battalions.

The attached list contains a few of the names of the titled officers doing duty with the South African force. It does not include the names of the composite regiment of Household Cavalry:

6th Dragoon Guards (Cavaliers), Lieut. and Adj. Hon. L. D. Gray.

1st Royal Dragoons, Major Lord G. L. Basing, Captain H. S. H. Prince Francis of Teck, K.C.V.O., D.S.O.

W. M. Mansfield and Hon. A. Hamilton-Russell, Lieut. Hon. C. H. C. Guest, Lord G. G. P. Fitzmaurice, 2nd Lieut. Sir R. Gore, Bart.

2nd Dragoons, (Royal Scots Greys), Lieut.-Col. Hon. W. P. Alexander, Lieut. Hon. R. H. Lindsay, The Master of Sinclair, and 2nd Lieut. Hon. W. McClintock-Burnaby.

5th (Royal Irish) Lancers, 2nd Lieut. Hon. A. M. H. Bingham.

9th (Queen's) Royal Lancers, Major Sir W. Jenner, Bart., p.s.c.; Captains Hon. C. Willoughby and Lord D. Compton, Lieut. Lord C. Bentinck, 2nd Lieut. Lord F. T. Hamilton-Temple-Blackwood.

10th (Prince of Wales Own Royal) Hussars, Majors Hon. J. Byng, p.s.c. and Hon. E. Baring, Captains Lord W. Cavendish, Lord G. Montagu-Douglas-Scott, Hon. T. Brand, Hon. J. Dawson (adjutant), Lieut. Hon. D. Anderson-Pelham, Hon. G. B. Portman, 2nd Lieut. Hon. T. Lister, Hon. F. W. Stanley, Hon. W. Cadogan, Hon. T. E. Ellis and Hon. A. K. Maxwell.

12th (Prince of Wales's Royal) Lancers, Lieut.-Col. The Earl of Arkle, Captain Hon. H. G. Heineken, and 2nd Lieut. J. D. Hamilton.

18th Hussars, Captain Hon. H. S. Davey.

Royal Horse Artillery, Majors Sir J. Jervis-White-Jervis, Bart., Sir G. Thomas, Bart.

Royal Field Artillery, Lieut. Sir Keane, Bart.

3rd Battalion Grenadier Guards, Lieut. Hon. E. H. Lygon, Hon. A. V. Russell, the Earl of Kerry, 2nd Lieut. Hon. R. Lygon.

1st and 2nd Battalions Coldstream Guards, Major Hon. A. Henniker-Major, p.s.c., Marquis of Winchester, Hon. W. Lambton; Captains Hon. E. Pakenham, Lord C. Newton-Butler, Lieut. Hon. C. Heathcote-Drummond-Willoughby, Hon. L. Hamilton, Hon. G. Baring, Lord Oxmanston, Hon. C. Monck, Hon. C. Douglas-Pennant, Viscount Lechmere, 2nd Lieut. Lord Dunsmuir, Hon. C. Baring.

1st Battalion Scots Guards, Major Hon. N. Dalrymple-Hamilton, Lieut. The Master of Ruthven, Hon. R. Coke.

1st and 2nd Battalions Northumberland Fusiliers, Major Hon. C. Lambton, D.S.O., Capt. Hon. M. O'Brien.

2nd Battalion Royal Fusiliers, 2nd Lieut. Sir E. Waller, Bart.

1st Battalion Leicestershire Regiment, Capt. Hon. H. Hawke.

1st Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers, 2nd Lieut. Hon. C. Clegg-Hill.

2nd Battalion Black Watch, Major Hon. H. Maxwell, Captain Hon. J. Cunningham-Bruce, Lieut. Sir W. Dick-Cuningham, 2nd Lieut. Hon. M. Drummond, Hon. C. Hore-Ruthven.

2nd Battalion Royal Berkshire Regiment, Capt. and Adj. Sir T. Pasley, Bart.

1st and 2nd Battalions King's Royal Rifle Corps, Capt. Lord R. Mansel, Lieut. Hon. F. Roberts, 2nd Lieut. Hon. A. Harris, Sir R. Price, Bart.

1st Battalion Durham Light Infantry, Major Hon. W. Vane.

1st Battalion Highland Light Infantry, Major Hon. H. Anson.

2nd Battalion Seaforth Highlanders, Capt. Hon. D. Forbes-Sempill, Lieut. Hon. C. St. Clair.

1st and 2nd Battalion Gordon Highlanders, Capt. Hon. R. Carnegie, Lieut. Hon. R. Forbes.

1st and 2nd Battalions Rifle Brigade, Lieut. Sir E. Grogan, Bart., Hon. H. Dawson (adj.), Sir T. Cunningham, Bart.

Staff Officers, Col. Hon. F. W. Stopford, C.B., p.s.c., military secretary to Sir Redvers Buller; Major Hon. J. Byng, p.s.c., 10th Hussars, provost mar-

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ADVERTISING VICTORIA.

This city might find in the plan of advertising adopted by Spokane, Wash.

ington, some useful hints as to how to make itself known to the outside world.

The Spokane Review reports that a special meeting of the chamber of commerce of that place was held a few days ago to discuss the best means of advertising the city's advantages. It was decided to expend fifty dollars a month for the next four months in advertising in eastern farm journals the country tributary to Spokane, its agricultural resources and the opportunities it offered to homeseekers. In addition to this the secretary was instructed to write all the towns and cities of Eastern Washington urging them to unite with Spokane in this scheme of laying before the farmers and industrial classes of the western and middle states the advantages of the region. It was also decided to issue a four-page publication on similar lines, giving all details as to Eastern Washington's grains, fruits, climate, soil, land prices, community advantages, markets and so forth, to be issued under the auspices of the chamber and actively circulated throughout the United States.

This is practical business and cannot fail to be productive of very pleasing results, not only to the enterprising city of Spokane, but also to all the country round about. Spokane is a city which has repeatedly proved that it is one of the liveliest and most pushing towns in America, and from the foregoing our readers will observe that it has no intention of hiding its light under a bushel. As the old proverb says: "The way to hell is paved with good intentions," it is all right to scheme and plan, but if nothing else is done all the scheming and planning are a foolish waste of time. Spokane acts, and that is the only thing that counts in this world.

It would be a pleasant thing to see Victoria decide to do something, however small, to give effect to the much-vaunted desire to advertise. Our correspondents are unanimous in one thing—they all want to see something done, and, presumably, less talking about the matter. One of our correspondents today points out that Vancouver gets the lion's share of the advertising in this province, and that is the truth. The name of that city is to be noted in almost every publication one can pick up, no matter where it was issued. No one person in a thousand in "the old country" knows that Victoria is the capital of British Columbia. Victoria is often confounded with the Australian colony of that name, and those British people seem surprised when told that Victoria is the capital of British Columbia, and the most important and beautiful city in Western Canada.

Another of our correspondents who recently visited Nanaimo and the neighboring towns points out very forcibly the great advantage Victoria could gain by cultivating closer association with those island centres of population and industry. The statements made by that correspondent will undoubtedly surprise many Victorians, but that just shows

we are living along here in a self-centred way, heeding little how the world moves outside, and caring somewhat less. At Nanaimo and Union there is growing up what promises to develop into one of the greatest industries in the province. This city is the natural capital of Vancouver Island, and ought to be the great centre of all business and industry on the island, the city of Vancouver, although cut off by a long stretch of sea, is actually monopolising the business of that island here. And Victoria is only eighty miles away and connected by rail.

There seems a sad lack of push on the part of Victoria as compared with the bold enterprise of Vancouver, which thinks not so much as does "acres in the living present," reaches out for any and every opening where its trade may be advanced, and "on the well-known truism that 'no endeavor is ever lost; every stroke of work brings ultimately its reward,' the results of this energy to our neighbor city cannot fail to be great and gratifying.

Victoria should cogitate and hesitate no longer but "get a move on," immediately, if it is only a hundred dollars' worth of advertising in the Victoria newspapers. At any rate the time for "a little more sleep and a little more slumber" is long past; if Victoria does not want to see itself hustled aside and forgotten it will have to fall into line and keep moving with the best of them.

THE AFRICAN STRUGGLE.

Once more it is reported that the republicans have brought from Pretoria a very large cannon and mounted it on the hills commanding Ladysmith, and that the weapon is being used with deadly effect upon the sorely-tried garrison. It mystifies every one to understand what our representatives in the Transvaal could have been about to stand by and see those huge guns imported from France by the South African Republic, and actually mounted on the fortifications of Pretoria and Johannesburg.

It passes belief that guns of the size described in to-day's reports could have been taken into the Transvaal without the knowledge of our representatives there. Those weapons, with their carriages, are monsters, and could not be handled without the aid of machinery, and without being plainly visible to everyone in the neighborhood of the cities mentioned. The Republic has gone into this war fully equipped with heavy siege guns, while the British have not got such a thing in the whole of Cape Colony or Natal.

Of course we cannot blame the Boers in the slightest. They have been wise and patriotic in the highest degree in busily preparing for what they seem to have regarded all along as an inevitable struggle. Their foresight has been most admirable. In face of the facts we obtain a startling revelation of the whole Boer plan of preparation. It has gone on since 1881, but more vigorously since the Jameson Raid, and it has been carried out with a mathematical precision, a steady perseverance, a skill and prudence that excite our wonderment and admiration. The oligarchy obtained the advice and services of European military experts to manage the preparations for what Britain is encountering to-day. Those experts, men of different nationalities, all of them animated by a common hatred of England, did their work well; they forgot nothing, and they brought the rude Boers into a state of readiness for fight that is positively astonishing. The Boers have proved again and again since the present campaign opened that although slow and no match for a highly-disciplined and equally-brave foe at close quarters, they have all the bull-dog determination in fight that characterised their forefathers.

The report that the Pope will "protest against the obliteration of the Republic," adds fresh interest to the struggle, especially in view of the statement that the republicans have shown anything but a friendly spirit toward the church of which His Holiness is the head.

News from Ladysmith will be awaited with increased anxiety since the report, cable to-day of increased Boer activity, but no doubt the relieving column from Batourai will make redoubled exertions to break through the Boer ring and raise the siege, and so bring on the general engagement which is expected to settle the controversy of the campaign quickly and decisively.

General Methuen is now pushing on to Kimberley, though he is likely to come soon face to face with a very powerful Boer army, probably outnumbering his little force to a considerable extent, and as the latest reports from Kimberley showed anything but a satisfactory state of things there, the position is for the time being fraught with some gravity. It cannot be long, however, before both Methuen and Gatacre are strongly-reinforced from the south and the northward movement is commenced again. The Boers, it will be noted, are acting mainly on the defensive, fighting from admirably chosen positions and risking as little as possible.

From coast papers there seems to be every indication that next spring will see one of the greatest gold rushes of recent times to Cape Nome. Reports from that camp have set the miners on the American side wild.

There are sixty-two political prisoners in the hands of the Boers at Pretoria, as well as 1,198 soldiers representing nearly all branches of the service.

KIMBERLEY'S RICHES.

No One Knows the Value of Diamonds in Store, but They Are Probably Worth

Nobody knows just how much value in the shape of diamonds is kept in store at Kimberley, says a letter to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Quite possibly it is \$100,000,000 worth. The company has offices in London, but its headquarters are in the South African city, and there, in a building resembling a bank, the bulk of the gems is kept, stored in the vaults.

If only a fraction of them were offered for sale at once, the price of diamonds would promptly tumble, but the great corporation, owning as it does deposits which produce 98 per cent. of the world's entire yield of these precious stones, is able to control the market absolutely, and holds back a large part of its output, disposing of only a limited number of carats per annum.

The yield of the mines is about 5,500 carats every twenty-four hours, and the diamonds obtained from the diggings are sent daily, under an armed escort, to the company's headquarters.

And there delivered to the appraiser in charge. First they are cleaned by boiling them in a mixture of nitric and sulphuric acids, and then they are carefully sorted in respect to size, color, and purity.

In one room are kept on exhibition 90,000 carats, and as may be imagined, the spectacle they afford is most striking. Beneath large windows runs a broad counter, covered with sheets of white paper, upon which are laid out ever so many glistening heaps of diamonds of indescribable variety. They are of all shades, from deep yellow to blue white, from deep brown to light brown, and in great variety of sizes, greens and pinks.

Only a dozen years ago the Kimberley mines were worked as over 3,000 separate claims, each thirty-one feet square, and separated from each other by narrow roads for hauling the gem-bearing earth. In 1893 Cecil Rhodes brought about a consolidation of all these properties into a single corporation, which now practically monopolizes the diamond production of the world, with a capital of \$10,500,000. Two of the mines, the Du Toits Pan and the De Beers, are the largest holes ever sunk in the earth, the mouth of the former being nineteen acres in extent, while the latter has a yawn of thirty-five acres. They are lighted by electricity, and the machinery used is of the most ingenious and powerful description.

From the central shaft of each mine runs

A System of Galleries,

at various levels, like so many burrows, in which the miners are out the diamond-bearing earth and haul it upon hand-cars, the latter being hauled to the surface with the help of machinery. This earth is a bluish clay, and as fast as it is brought to the light of day it is spread out over the ground. Being thus left for some weeks, though hard and tough at first it becomes friable and crumbly through exposure to sun and going over it again and again with harrows. When at length it has reached a satisfactory condition it is loaded into hoppers and taken to the huge washing machines, in which, by means of running water, the precious stones are separated from the bulk of the raw material. The machines are great vats, containing centrifugal wheels, by which, as they revolve, the material is pulverized, the light stuff being floated off, while the diamonds and other heavy particles are concentrated at the bottom.

The concentrate, when removed from the washing machines, is placed in metal tubs on tables, where it is sorted while wet by white men, and again after it is dry by Kaffirs. The sorters work with small tools, and not a diamond the size of a pinhead escapes their notice. In deed, there is no great difficulty involved in this task, inasmuch as such gems

are by no means the dull pebbles they are commonly described as being. On the contrary, though not so brilliant as when cut by the skilled lapidary, they are bright and sparkling.

After being conveyed to the company's headquarters, they are disposed of in parcels to local buyers, who represent the leading diamond merchants of Europe. The size of a parcel varies from a few thousand carats up, in one instance, a few years ago, nearly 250,000 carats were disposed of in one lot to a single purchaser. The stones are taken to London to be cut.

Geologists think they know just how the diamonds of the South African fields were made by nature. The surface layer of the earth thereabouts was originally—that is to say, ages ago—a carbonaceous shale, or, in other words, a kind of rock containing a large percentage of carbon. As everybody knows, carbon in its pure state is the sole material of the diamond. By and by volcanic stuff from the bowels of the earth was vomited up through the shale, and the enormous heat thus generated caused the carbon in the rock to crystallize into the form of diamonds. So now, as a result, there is a vast body of blue clay, through which gems are scattered.

Like Plums in a Pudding, and so evenly are they distributed that 100 tons of the material can be counted on to yield about 100 carats of the precious stones. The deposits, apparently, are inexhaustible.

As is usual in such cases, the discovery of diamonds in South Africa was purely accidental. A stranger "trekking" through the country stopped overnight at the house of a hospitable Dutch farmer, who showed him as curiosities some bright pebbles found by his children, which the latter used as playthings. The visitor suspected that they were diamonds, and, being an honest man, suggested the idea to his host, who taking them to the nearest city, sold them for a sufficient sum to make him rich for life. Later on many valuable stones were found in the graves of the Vaal and Gongo-Ong rivers, but it was

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not until 1870 that prospectors came upon the real source of supply from which these accidental gems had been washed out by the streams. Even then, only the yellowish surface of the earth was worked, and when the miners got down to the blue clay, which later proved to be the true matrix of the stones, they imagined that the deposits were exhausted. The Kimberley mines now yield 2,500,000 carats annually, representing a value of \$25,000,000, of which two-fifths is clear profit. During the last quarter-century they have

Added to the World's Wealth ten tons of diamonds, worth \$300,000,000 uncut and \$600,000,000 after cutting.

These mines employ 1,500 Europeans and about 6,000 Kaffirs. Necessarily, the utmost precautions have to be taken against theft, and yet, notwithstanding all preventive measures, the company reckons on a loss of 10 to 15 per cent. of its production in this way. The business of purchasing stolen gems occupies many of the Kaffirs' spare hours, and the methods devised by the illicit diamond-buyers exhibit an ingenuity worthy of a more honorable calling. Laws framed to put down this offence are exceedingly strict—much so, indeed, that a presumption of guilt is always considered as standing against an accused person unless he can prove his innocence—and sentences of five to fifteen years are commonly imposed in cases of conviction. As for the thief, if caught, he is whipped with extreme severity, or else set at breaking rocks for a term of years.

Exceptionally good wages serve to attract the Kaffirs to the mines, and for the sake of the high pay they are reconciled to certain conditions of servitude, with which white men could hardly be induced to put up. These relate to the precautions above referred to against thieving. Every evening when the laborers come from the diggings they are obliged to strip themselves to absolute nudity—usually the latter consist of a broad cloth merely upon pegs on the wall. Then they are subjected to

An Elaborate Examination, even their mouths, ears, etc., being examined. From the examining room they go to the quarters in the compound, where they pass the night, blankets being provided for their comfort, and the clothing they have left behind is carefully looked over. The latter they put on when they go to work again in the morning. Customarily they are engaged for a period of three months; and they may renew the contract as often as they desire, but during the term of employment they are not permitted to leave the enclosure, which is surrounded by a wall miles in length and of considerable height.

How so many diamonds are stolen under such conditions is a mystery even to the officials of the company. On one occasion a black fellow was found to have concealed a big stone, worth many thousands of dollars, in a wound in the calf of his leg, covering it over with a piece of sticking plaster just the color of the skin. It was discovered by the merest accident, and since then the examiners have pursued the method of tapping each laborer gently with a mallet over various portions of his anatomy, so that the presence of a precious gem may be revealed by sound. It should be explained that an underground passage connects the mine with the compound, and an overhead wire netting prevents the workmen from tossing stones over the wall to a confederate.

Some of the Largest Diamonds ever known have been dug out of the Kimberley deposits. One of these, from the De Beers mine, was exhibited at the Paris Exposition in 1889, and was purchased by an Oriental prince. It weighed 225 carats after cutting, and was a pale yellow, in color. The Nizam of Hyderabad a few years ago bought the famous Victoria, otherwise known as the Imperial diamond, which weighed 180 carats after cutting. It is a remarkably beautiful stone, of a bluish white color, and flawless. Strange to say, this gem, then the largest diamond of modern times, came to London without a history. It was from one of the Kimberley mines, however, and was owned by a London syndicate. Afterward it was ascertained that it had been stolen by four men, three of whom lost their shares in it at cards the very first night after it came into their possession.

In 1894 the Jagersfontein diamond was discovered at one of the Kimberley mines. It weighed 971 carats, or near half a pound avoirdupois, and was three inches long, one and one-half inches thick, and two and one-half inches wide. A Kaffir picked it up while he was working a cart with blue clay, and concealing it about his person, gave it to the manager directly. In return he received \$750 in cash, a horse and a saddle. The stone is valued at \$2,000,000. It is bluish white in color, and flawless except for a very small flaw in the centre. It was presented to the Pope by Oon Paul Kruger.

ADVERTISING VICTORIA.

To the Editor:—So much is being said about the best way to advertise Victoria, would it not be as well to claim our rights? In nearly all general advertising of the province, Vancouver figures ahead of Victoria. Now, Victoria, as the capital and larger place of the two, should allow this. The board of trade should watch her interests more, Vancouver has repeatedly stolen our official returns. Vancouver figures in larger print on a great many circulating maps, and when the two

Spencer's Friday Bargains

Kid Gloves

Dent's regular \$1.75 glove; assortment of sizes, broken in some of the lines, but all sizes in the lot; black, tan and light shades; one style is silk-lined, another has diamond buttons, another has four pearl buttons and fancy-colored stitching; all are finest quality.

Friday \$1.00

Dent's regular \$1.50 gloves, black and tan, Suede, red dressed kid, 2 large clasps; green, 4 spring fasteners, red stitching; a very smart glove.

Friday \$1.00

Suede Evening Gloves, elbow length; white and light colors; regular \$1.75.

Friday \$1.00

75 pairs very long silk Evening Gloves; light colors; regular 75c. to \$1.50.

Friday 50c

Children's Kid Gloves, Dent's make; sizes, 1, 2, 6; regular \$1.

Friday 75c

Men's Underwear

Pure Wool Underwear; men's and extra large sizes; regular 75c.

Friday 50c

Xmas Cards

Box of 12 Cards and Envelopes; regular 25c.

Friday 15c box

Silk Waists Reduced for This Week

cities are coupled in any concern Vancouver looks out she gets the better half of the space allotted. It would only occupy space to enumerate the numerous instances I have noticed even to the city directory of each city in the Victoria Colonist and the trading stamp books circulated here. My object in writing was to point out to the board of trade and city aldermen this very apparent fact, and to ask the committee who is to consider the advisability of spending \$100 in advertising in the B. C. Mining Record to remember this, and not be repeatedly side-tracked by Vancouver.

G. S. K.

Victoria, Dec. 7, 1899.

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8 p. m. sharp.

AT THE DOMINION HOTEL.

Tickets may be had from the Committee and

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ALLAN GRAHAM, Secretary.



AUCTION SALE

The City Auction Mart, 73-75, Yates St.

By direction of A. R. MILNE, ESQ., C. M. G.

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As she now lies in the harbor at Esquimalt; tonnage 511 gross, net 255. Also the 3 anchors, cables, gear and lumber, etc., amounting to about 175,000 feet, surfaced and rough. Terms—Cash.

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Handkerchiefs

Heavy Twill Silk Handkerchiefs for gentlemen; 24 in. hems; all initials; regular \$1.

Friday 75c

Finest Irish Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs for ladies; narrow hems and neat embroidery. Regular 65c., 75c. and 85c.

Friday 50c

50 doz. Lawn Handkerchiefs; an odd lot; very special value at

50c a dozen

50 Belt Buckles; hardly two alike; regular 25c. to \$1.

Friday 10c

128 Ladies' Grey Felt Hats, trimmed with long quills and silk ribbon; regular \$1.75 to \$2.75.

Friday \$1.00

TO LET—A ten roomed house, with modern conveniences. Apply 7 Blanchard street.

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TO LET—3 Cottages—one 5 roomed and bath, Rent \$6; one 4 roomed, Rent \$6; and one 4 roomed, \$5; all including water. Apply to A. Williams, 104, Yates street.

TO LET—Furnished front room for gentleman; use of paper, fire, piano; private family; \$6.00 monthly; references, B. C. Times Office.

TO LET—Suite of six rooms, with fire-proof vault, suitable for offices, in old Post Office building, Government street. Apply Public Works Office, New Post Office.

TO LET—The Philharmonic Hall, Fort Street. Has been completely renovated and is now in first-class condition. The hall is centrally located, on the car line, and is the best in the city for dance, public meetings and entertainments of any kind. To, for terms, apply to P. G. Richards & Co., No. 15 Broad St.

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VICTORIA THEATRE.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8.

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BY GEO. H. BROADHURST, Author of "What Happened to Jones," "The Wrong Mr. Wright," "The Last Chapter," etc.

THE CLEVER COMPANY—Frank Tunstall, Jr., Eugene Redding, C. Jay Williams, Frederick Roberts, Gilbert Gardner, Belle Chamberlain, Carina Jordan, Lizzie May Uimer, Rose Maskell, Lottie Williams, Jennie Ennis.

Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00. Seats on sale at Victoria Book & Stationery Store.

VICTORIA PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

FIRST CONCERT OF THE SEASON

In aid of the B.C. PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME

INSTITUTE HALL, Thursday, December 14th.

Commencing at 8:30 p. m. sharp. Admission 50 cents. Reserved seats at Lombard's, 25 cents extra.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTICE—Having taken over the wood business lately carried on by R. Harris at Victoria & Sidney Station Wood Yard, all orders telephoned to No. 511 will be promptly attended to. Also general teaming. F. H. Lindsay.

GET YOUR AMMUNITION at John Barnley & Co.'s, 115 Government street. Largest stock in the Province.

A. & W. WILSON, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, 311 Hangers and Tinsmiths; Dealers in the best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc.; shipping supplied at lowest rates. Broad street, Victoria, B. C. Telephone call

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AGENTS WANTED AT ONCE—A patent perforated pot and kettle-escaper. Fast seller. Big profits to agents. A complete line of new and useful household novelties. Address: The Victoria Daily Times, 26 Broad Street, Victoria, B. C.

BOY WANTED—Ago from 15 to 18. Apply 59 Government street.

WANTED—Girl to assist in light house work and care of two children. Apply Mrs. J. Fred. Hume, "Maplecroft," Dallas street, Victoria, B. C.

WANTED—Old copper, brass, zinc, lead, steel, iron, tin, and other metals; high cash prices. Apply Victoria Daily Times, 26 Broad Street, B. C. Atkinson, Agent.

FURNITURE AND CROCKERY, ETC., packed for shipment or removal; terms moderate. Address: X. X. Times Office.

WANTED—Lady Agents for Surinam and Paris Female Pills; guaranteed safe, prompt, reliable. Salary and commission. Address: Medical Agency of Paris, Tower House, Main street, Seattle.

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report. Prepared by the Victoria
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 7.—5 a.m.—An important
and of low pressure has developed off
Vancouver Island, and is causing high
winds and easterly gales on the Coast.
Rainfall has been light, and snow is falling
in Cariboo and central Oregon. Fair
weather and higher temperatures have pre-
valled in the Canadian Territories.

Forecast.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday.
Victoria and vicinity—High easterly and
southeasterly winds with off shore gales on
the Coast, unsettled, with rains.
Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, unset-
tled, with rains.

Report.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.54; temperature,
49; minimum, 44; wind, 22 miles E.; rain,
0.0; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.54;
temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4
miles E.; rain, 28; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.72; temperature,
38; minimum, 35; wind, 6 miles S.; weather,
cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.64; tempera-
ture, 28; minimum, 26; wind, calm; snow,
0.2; weather, snow.

Neah, Wash.—Forecast.
Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 29.00; tempera-
ture, 50; minimum, 46; wind, 8 miles
E.; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

Tacoma—Barometer, 29.60; temperature,
48; minimum, 42; wind, 8 miles N. W.;
rain, 0.6; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.69; tem-
perature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles
W.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Ex-
tracts.

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114 Yates street.

—Please call at Russell's, 134 Dou-
glas street, anytime before Xmas, and
bring the children with you; it will do
high them and please you.

—Few men are foolish enough to tell the
readers of a great family journal un-
truths about their goods. If they do they
are soon found out. "HONDI" Ceylon
Tea is as represented—therefore kept all
ways before you.

—A very successful D'Olley social was
held at the residence of Mrs. D. Spencer,
James Bay, yesterday afternoon, being
under the direction of the Ladies' Aid
of the James Bay Methodist church. The
financial results of the sale of D'Olley's
was materially augmented by the con-
flict in the evening.

—Donations of reading matter to the
Seaman's Home are acknowledged by the
manager from the following: Bishop
of Columbia, Mrs. George Gillespie, H.
Mrs. Malpas, Messrs. H. Burnett, J. H.
Durand and Ted, besides other anon-
ymous contributors. A clock and an
English dictionary are also badly need-
ed and the manager expresses the hope
that some kind friend will donate both
of these needed articles.

—A meeting was held at Hotel Driard
last night for the purpose of forming a
medical association such as has long
been advocated among the practicing
physicians of the city. The profession
was represented by Drs. Holden, Carter,
Robertson, Milne, Fraser, Helmecken,
Holden, Hamilton and Ernest Hall. A
permanent organization was effected,
the officers being J. D. Helmecken, presi-
dent; R. L. Fraser, vice-president, and
H. Robertson, secretary-treasurer.

—There was a good attendance of the
members of the Pioneer Society last
night to prepare for the annual banquet
of the society and to elect officers. The
latter resulted as follows: H. D. Hel-
mecken, Q.C., M.P.P., president; E.
Pearson, vice-president; A. Graham, sec-
retary; E. C. Johnson, treasurer; Hon.
J. S. Helmecken, physician; directors, J.
W. Carey, T. Flewin, W. Harrison, Al-
derman Humphrey, Postmaster Shake-
spere, A. Jack, Chief Sheppard and E.
McIntosh. J. B. Love was appointed
auditor, and the committee having in
charge the banquet arrangements sub-
mitted their report. A cordial vote of
thanks was passed to the retiring offi-
cers. The annual banquet to be held to-
morrow night at the Dominion promises to
be one of the most successful in the history
of the society. The arrangements are
in the hands of Mr. Jones, who
promises to make this banquet a note-
worthy occasion.

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son's, 35 Fort street.

Higgins's nursery, corner Fort and Cook
streets.

—Holiday presentation books, Christ-
mas cards, etc. Johnston's, Douglas
street.

—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen
Printed Caps and Buttons at R. A.
Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?

—Lord Mayor's Pudding Bowls, Pud-
ding Moulds, Pudding Bowls and Jelly
Moulds, all sizes, at R. A. Brown &
Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

—Rev. W. H. Barracklough officiated
at the marriage last night at the resi-
dence of the bride's parents, of George
road, of Walter Adams and Miss Lillian
Beck. The bride is the only daughter
of F. H. Beck, and the groom is a son of
Frank Adams, of E. B. Marvin & Co.

—The reopening and dedication of St.
Saviour's church will take place this
evening at eight o'clock. The order of
service is as follows: Hymn, 215; dedi-
cation service, the Lord Bishop of Col-
umbia, To Doon, shortened evensong;
special psalm, 88 and 122; anthem,
Solomon's Prayer; preacher, Ven. Arch-
deacon Scriven; hymns, 242 and 370.

—In the A. O. U. W. hall on Monday
evening Owen A. Smiley, the well known
eastern eclectician and entertainer,
gives one of his popular concerts. Mr.
Smiley, who is an irresistible mirth pro-
voker, is assisted on his present tour by
Miss Mildred Walker, soprano, and Miss
Ella Bridgehead, contralto. The sale of
seats opens tomorrow at Lombard's.

—Next Tuesday afternoon a sale of
work will be held in Temperance hall
under the auspices of Perseverance Lodge,
at which both fancy and useful articles
will be offered. In the evening supper
will be served from 6 to 7.30 p.m., and
later a musical and literary programme
will be rendered. Admission to sale of
work will be free, but a charge will be
made for supper and concert.

—Owing to the absence of some of the
members of the directors' board of the
British Columbia Agricultural Society
on the business men's excursion, there
was again an insufficient number at last
night's meeting to constitute a quorum.
A meeting has been arranged for Wed-
nesday next, when all members of the
board are urgently requested to be
present.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Enoch
took place yesterday afternoon from the
residence on Douglas street, to St. Bar-
nabas church and thence to the cemetery.
Rev. E. J. Miller officiating. The floral
tributes included several handsome ones
from the Driard clerks, Maple Leaf
Football Club and others. The pall-
bearers were: Messrs. A. Jewell, J.
Smith, W. Kelley, J. Carroll, T. Flecher
and A. Peden.

—The arbitrators in the Union coal
case met yesterday at the Oriental
Hotel, Mr. Cassidy having asked for a
case stated to the board. At 3 o'clock
when the case was called Mr. Cassidy
stated that he had decided to wait until
all the evidence was in before making
any adjournment was taken until the
27th, when the hearing will proceed at
the parliament buildings. There is a
long list of witnesses.

—The business men's excursion, which
left here on Tuesday morning for a tour
of Kootenay and Boundary, ran into the
first snowstorm of the season at Re-
stoke yesterday morning, according to
a wire received last night from the
Times representative with the party. At
Arrowhead Commodore Troop met the
excursionists with the steamer Kootenay.
The citizens of Nelson and of
Greenwood will banquet the party.

—The First Presbyterian church choir
have in rehearsal the cantata "Britan-
nia and Her Daughter," which is to be
given on Monday, the 18th inst., in the
hall of the church. The cantata will be
given in costume, the hall will be
suitably decorated and the stage en-
larged. As the cantata is brimful of
patriotism, both in song and speech, it
will be sure to attract a large audience.
The music, although light, is melodious
and catchy, and will be well worth hear-
ing. The aggregation of singers, etc.,
will be under Mr. Brown. The cantata
will take up about an hour and a quar-
ter of the evening, and the remainder
will be occupied by a miscellaneous con-
cert by some of Victoria's best perform-
ers.

—The following programme has been
arranged for the concert to be given at
St. James hall this evening: Piano solo
by Miss A. Russell, vocal solos by M.
Wm. Williams, M. A. Cole, Miss
Schwenger and Mr. E. H. Russell, and
a violin solo by Miss Gladys Shrapnel.
The cast for the comedy "The Jack
Townley," Mr. Arthur Coles (who thinks
himself irresistible), "Jonnie Patti,"
Miss Agnes Russell (who quite agrees
with him), "Lorraine de Courcy," Miss
Alma Russell (a humorist in petticoats);
"Mrs. Boothby," Miss Trimmer; "Miss
Eula Orie," Mr. Wm. Allan (a relic of
"beto de wah"); "Maria" (maid ser-
vant), Miss Sorby; Mr. Fletcher, stage
manager.

—A pleasant event took place last night
at St. James's church, James Bay, when
Miss Lucy Murrant and Mr. Jos. Win-
ningham were united in marriage by Rev.
Mr. Street. The bride was attired in
white silk, and was attended by Miss
Alice Allan and her sister, Miss Mary
Murrant, who were gowned in cream
silk and white lawn respectively. Mr.
Rich. Murrant, father of the bride, gave
her away, while Mr. Wm. Peden attend-
ed the groom. The bridesmaids were the
recipients of bouquets—one set in pearls
and the other in pearls and opal—the
gift of the groom. There were about 25
guests present, and the happy couple
were the recipients of many handsome
presents. A reception was afterwards
held at the residence of the bride's
mother, at No. 17 Pioneer street. Mr.
and Mrs. Winningham will reside at 64
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VICTORIA PRESBYTERY.

Regular Meeting of that Body on Tues-
day—Missionary and Temperance
Problems Considered.

The ordinary December meeting of
the Presbytery of Victoria was held in
the church, Wellington, on Tuesday
last.

In addition to business of a routine
character, steps were taken to secure
suitable places of residence for the mis-
sionaries laboring at South Wellington
and Extension mines. The missionary
at the former place reported the recent
opening for service of a very neat and
comfortable little church, and the mis-
sionary of South Wellington reported the
necessity of a similar place of worship
at Extension mine. Plans for securing
this were considered.

The congregation of Comox was au-
thorized to call a minister whenever
ready to take this step.

Committees were appointed to confer
with and co-operate with similar com-
mittees representing other bodies in
securing amendments to existing laws
in reference to the Lord's Day, liquor
traffic and marriage.

A conference was held on Monday af-
ternoon and evening for the discussion
of questions affecting church life and
work, at which there was a good attend-
ance of the public.

The Presbytery gave special consid-
eration to the million dollar fund
scheme of the general assembly of the
Presbyterian church in Canada, and
looked all necessary steps to secure ac-
timate and vigorous prosecution of the
scheme in all the congregations and mis-
sion fields of the Presbytery. About
\$75,000 of the \$100,000 expected from
the ministers of the church have already
been subscribed by a little more than
half the ministers of the church in sums
ranging from \$20 to \$5,000, which, of
itself, augurs well for the complete suc-
cess of the scheme. Contributions at
the subscribers' option are applied to the
reduction or extension of church build-
ing debts and the missionary and bene-
volent schemes of the church. The
Rev. E. D. McLaren, of Vancouver, will
address the congregation of St. Paul's
church this evening, St. Columbia and
Knox church to-morrow evening, and
the First church and St. Andrew's next
Sabbath, in the interest of the scheme.

The next meeting will be held in St.
Paul's church, Victoria, on the last
Tuesday in February at 10 a.m.

—"Prince" Adrain, who is the subject
of attention at the hands of the Van-
couver police at present has already es-
tablished a reputation which is, if not
continental, as extensive as the Pacific
coast. When Hon. Sydney Fisher was
in New Westminster opening the fair
Adrain insinuated himself into his so-
ciety and succeeded in being introduced
by the mayor as "a distinguished Hindoo
gentleman, who attended Cambridge
University with the minister of agricul-
ture and who is travelling in his suite."

Adrain was in Victoria last Sunday, but
the clerk at the Driard refused to
allow him to stay there. The manager
of the Victoria took charge on the man
and now occupies one day's board bill
paid, for the wily Hindoo slipped off on
the Princess Louise to Vancouver with-
out disclosing his intentions to the land-
lord. His experience at the latter place
when he was arrested, at the instance
of H. W. Treat, who believed him to be
Aguiñado, has already been published.

The man with the angel has re-
appeared. About two months ago a store
on Fort street was entered by the
"bore," followed a few weeks since
by a similar entrance to the Prince of
Wales saloon. Two evening ago the
old Lion Brewery store, kept by Thos.
Wm. Williams, was entered by the same
man, who was forced to beat a re-
treat by the appearance on the scene of
that gentleman. The holes at all three
places have been made with the same
sized auger.

—The Y. M. I. at a meeting held last
night, at which the nomination of offi-
cers for the current term took place,
decided to give a social dance during the
holiday season, on the 27th of Decem-
ber. The Y. L. I. and both councils of
the Y. M. I. will take part.

—A timber in the chimney of R. Por-
ter's butcher shop caught fire last night,
and gave the fire brigade a run to that
point. Some delay was caused owing to
the failure of the call box 27, at which
the fire was quickly extinguished.

—Two drunks, one an Indian and the
other a white man, were before the court
this morning. The white was fined \$2.50
and Maene, the Indian, \$10 or 20 days
imprisonment.

—An Indian woman was brought to
the lock-up this morning in a state of
imbriation so advanced that she was un-
able to appear in court. She will appear
to-morrow.

—The firemen of the city have under
consideration a fancy dress ball, to be
given in Assembly hall sometime after
New Year's.

Do You Know

**JIM MAYNARD'S
CASH CLEARANCE SALE
STARTS TO-DAY?**

Every pair of Boots and Shoes
to be cleared out before the year
1900.

Douglas Street,
Opposite City Hall.

SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG
THE WATERFRONT.

Ship Glenelg has been chartered to
load lumber at Chemainus for the United
Kingdom. She is now on her way
from Antwerp. While the lumber trade
is growing with wonderful rapidity it is
being handicapped by the scarcity of ton-
nage. As high as 80 shillings is offered
for carriers for England, and still few
ships are to be engaged. The Chemainus
mills have orders for 20,000,000 feet of
lumber, but cannot get carriers at any
price. The Mainland mills are also
feeling the consequences of the tonnage
famine. R. P. Ethier & Co., in their
shipping report for the month just clos-
ing, say as follows of the market: "We
have little change to note in the grain
and tonnage markets since our last re-
port. Foreign markets for wheat con-
tinue weak, and while the few vessels
available for charter are holding for full
rates, exporters are unwilling to pay the
prices demanded. Business has there-
fore been very limited. The lumber mar-
ket is exceedingly active and very large
orders have recently been placed with
the leading export mills. Tonnage, how-
ever, is almost unobtainable, and owners
who have offered their vessels have
found ready takers at high rates, even
if six or eight months distant." The Pu-
get Sound, British Columbia, or Puget
Sound loading, now obtaining, are quoted
as follows:

United Kingdom	75 60/100
Sydney	45 60/100
Melbourne or Adelaide	52 60/100
Freemantle or Geraldton	67 60/100
Port Pirie	52 60/100
Capetown or Algoa Bay	65 60/100
Douglas Bay	67 60/100
Port of Spain	55 60/100
Kobe or Yokohama	55 60/100
Shanghai	55 60/100
Hongkong	55 60/100
Port Arthur	62 60/100
Taken	60 60/100
Valparaiso	57 60/100

A large spar buoy, painted red, has
been moored by the government of
Canada in 22 feet at extreme low water
on Keop bar, north entrance to Baynes
Sound, in place of the inner beacon,
which has disappeared since it was re-
ported in May last. Lat. N. 49 deg.
33 min. 55 sec; long. W. 124 deg. 33
min. 30 sec. A large spar buoy painted
black has been moored in 41 fathoms
at extreme low water in Portier Pass,
between Valdes and Galiano Islands,
Strait of Georgia, close to the rock
southward of Virago rock. Lat. N. 49
deg. 0 min. 50 sec; long. W. 123 deg.
35 min. 23 sec. The water deepens
toward the southward of the buoy to 7
and 20 fathoms. Although this buoy has
been placed for the benefit of the small coast-
ers which persist in using the pass,
mariners are again warned that the British
Columbia Pilot contains this caution:
"In consequence of the numerous dan-
gers existing in Portier Pass, mariners
are advised to avoid that passage, and
at all times to be on their guard. The
existence of an uncharted rock with 8
feet on it at extreme low water, situated
S. W. by S. 4 S. from the above de-
scribed buoy and westward of a line drawn
from the buoy to Bonaville rock. The rock
is not marked by a light. There is deep
water, 9 to 12 fathoms, around the rock."

It is likely that a new steamship line
will shortly be established between San
Francisco and New Zealand. A cable
was recently sent by Mr. Spreckels, presi-
dent of the Oceanic Company, of San
Francisco, in which it was stated that
three 6,000 ton steamers were being
built to give a 21-day service, deliv-
ering the mails from London in 26 days,
and from New Zealand to London in
27 1/2 days. The Oceanic Company offers
to accept the lump sum of \$200,000 an-
nually from Australian and New Zeal-
and colonies under five years' contract,
should the offer be accepted the service
will begin not later than December next.

The management of the steamer Alpha
say their steamer will be the first vessel
to reach Cape Nome next season. They
expect her to arrive in May. To do this
it will be necessary to accomplish a dif-
ficult feat of navigation, as the ice ex-
tends along the coast from the Arctic
and the ice is so thick that it is impos-
sible to break up before the beginning
of May. Capt. Beckwith, however,
has his plans prepared and believes
his vessel will get through. He has
had long experience in Arctic navigation,
having spent four years with the Dun-
dees, which he commanded, and later
studied in a Berlin observatory.

Steamer Danube sailed for Port Sim-
pson, Skidegate and Skagway last even-
ing. There were few passengers for
her, including Tom Conway, formerly
of the Fort M. house; Mr. R. A. Speck-
er, of Alton Bay; Mrs. Robinson, who
goes up to join her husband, the man-
ager for the H. B. Co. at Port Simpson,
and Mrs. Albany. An officer and ten
men of the N. W. M. P. embarked at
Vancouver.

Mr. H. C. Flecken, lately manager of
the Bennett Lake & Klondike Naviga-
tion Co., left for England this morning.
Mr. Robert Hall, has been appointed
manager in his stead. Mr. Hall, who
has been long connected with the com-

pany, took charge of the business of the
company yesterday.

Three sailing schooners cleared for the
coast on a sealing cruise to-day. They
were the "Oke," "Cape Horn," and
"Hawthorne." These three are not
the only vessels expected to leave for
the coast within the immediate future.
Several of the vessels of the Marvin
fleet are ready, and will sail about the
end of the week. All will carry Indian
cruisers. Nearly all the sealing fleet are
expected to leave shortly after Christ-
mas.

Steamer Mananasse seems to have en-
tered an endless chain of trouble. A
third United States inquiry is being
made to investigate complaints of in-
competency against officers, and other
complaints made in connection with her
ill-starred trip to Manila, and moreover
the old case against the vessel was yester-
day revived at Vancouver before Mr.
Justice McColl.

In connection with the efforts of the
Alpha to reach Cape Nome first of all
the fleet, a ship captain suggests—and
he struggled to keep his face straight—
that she be handed out and runners built
on her so that she can be run up on
the ice and drawn in by huskies. It is
rather unlikely that his scheme will be
carried out, although the idea is not
copyrighted.

Steamer Victorian did not arrive from
the Sound this morning. According to
a dispatch received from her, Tacoma
agents she has dropped a propeller blade
and was compelled to abandon a trip for
repairs. She will arrive at her usual
time to-morrow morning.

C.P.R. bulletin announces the arrival
at New York yesterday morning of the
White Star liner Oceanic from Liver-
pool.

British ship Kate F. Troop has com-
pleted loading at a Vancouver mill, and
will sail in a few days.

Steamer Charmer left Vancouver at
1:15 p.m. She completed with the train.

Steamer Cottage City is due from the
North.

"WHY SMITH LEFT HOME"

Will Be Produced To-morrow Night at the
Victoria Theatre.

Because of the breaking of her propeller,
the steamer Victorian did not arrive this
morning, and Victorians will be perforce
obliged to wait until to-morrow evening
to see "Why Smith Left Home." When
it was learned by Manager Jamieson that
the steamer had met with an accident he
at once made arrangements by wire where-
by the performance would be given to-
morrow evening instead of this evening.
The comedy, which is from the pen of
George H. Broadhurst, author of "What
Happened to Jones" and "The Wrong
Mr. Wright," both of which have been pro-
duced here, is a good one. It concerns
the doings of the Smith family. This par-
ticular "Smith" is a widower who has
married a charming young wife half his
age, and decided to spend his honeymoon
at home. Members of both families sud-
denly appear to see how they are getting
on, and among them are several who come
only to make life a burden to "Mr. Smith."
He has a maiden sister, and Mrs. Smith
has an aunt of the mother-in-law stripe,
who starts in to run the house. "Mrs.
Smith's" brother in college appears with a
bride, with whom he has just eloped, and
certain aged gentlemen who had known
"Smith" come to get acquainted with
"Mrs. Smith," one of these, a German
Count, makes desperate love to her. To
give these details affords no idea whatever
of the author's clever manner in working
them into appropriate situations of humor,
and the task cannot be attempted at all
at these moments the audience is convulsed
with laughter. The following list of names
shows that the company is composed of
well known and capable artists: Frank
Tannhill, Jr., Eugene Redding, C. Jay
Williams, Frederick Roberts, Gilbert Gar-
ner, Carlos Jordan, Nellie Maskell, Jennie
Engle, Lottie Williams, Walter, Rose, Hub-
bert, Belle Chamberlain and Lizzie May
Umer.

A woman who is weak, nervous and
sleepless, and who has cold hands and feet,
cannot get to bed. Take a well known
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classes in the William Wallace Hall,
Broad street. Classes for children on
Saturdays at 2 p.m., beginning December
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men by arrangement. For terms, apply to
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	Asked.	Bid.
Golden Star	32 1/2	31
Cariboo (Camp McKinley)	110	100
Minnehaha	145 1/2	145
Waterloo	14	13 1/2
Verdict	10	9 1/2
Verdict Hydraulic	100	95
Fairview Corp.	5 1/2	5
Old Ironsides	108	101
Knox Hill	90	84
Rathmullen	8	8
Brandon & Golden Crown	10	20 1/2
Norwood	10	9 1/2
Vancouver	32	29
Athabasca	37	33
Frontier	18	12
Dardanelles	12	10 1/2
Noble Five	18	12
Payne	113	109
Rumker Cariboo Con	60	58 1/2
Wonderful Gold	5	3
Yours's Nest Pass Coal	40 1/2	33 1/2
Tasaree	15	11 1/2
Hopbelle	116	113
Deer Trail No. 2	37	36
Bonanza	15	13
Van Anda	7	6 1/2
Big 3	13	11 1/2
Deer Park	3	2
Evening Star	8 1/2	8
Iron Mask	71 1/2	71
Hornet Lake	5	4 1/2
Montreal Gold Fields	10	8 1/2
Monte Christo Con	8	6 1/2
Northern Belle	24	19 1/2
Novelty	3	3
St. Paul	2	1
Silver Bell Con	3	1 1/2
St. Elmo	6	3
Virgilia	8 1/2	5
Victory Triumph	5 1/2	4 1/2
War Eagle Con	27 1/2	27 1/2
White Bear	4	3 1/2
I. N. L.	22	19
P. Nae. Gold Prop. Co.	4	4
B. C. Gold Fields	4	3 1/2
Canadian G. F. S.	8	7

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Provincial News.

CASCADE CITY.
Mr. Asley Morrison, M. P., New Westminster, has been making a tour of the Boundary country, the past week or two.
Some people have erroneously got the idea into their heads that Cascade is going backwards. This is a mistake, to prove which is not difficult. During the past few months Cascade has built a nice little church and a pretty, commodious school house. A splendid large residence has been erected on the plateau near the river in the northwest part of town. The work on the foundation for an electric plant of great magnitude is going forward. Work is steadily progressing on the big dam. Mr. S. May, all and Mr. T. P. Canham have both built fine residences, the town site people have erected five cottages and added those have been made several buildings already standing. —Record.

PHOENIX.
Real estate sales have not been very brisk during the past week.
Phoenix Miners Union now has upwards of 100 members, with additions at each weekly meeting.
J. A. Corbett, C. E., is taking levels for the water system to be installed by the Phoenix Water Company. Kumburger has correlated all the available water in and near Phoenix for use in the town of Phoenix and the Kumburger addition.

The rails have been laid on the spur to within about four miles of Phoenix, and it is expected the track-laying gangs will reach here in about three weeks if the weather continues favorable. The track has been laid to the R. C. and O. Devero, and should be at the Golden Crown and Wainwright within two weeks. It is now about a mile from the junction of Wellington and Greenwood camp spurs.

It is now definitely settled that, sometime during December, Phoenix will have a branch of one of the solid characterized banking institutions of the Dominion—the Eastern Townships bank.
Preparations are being made in Phoenix to entertain the visitors who will arrive on the big C. P. R. excursion tomorrow or Saturday.

KAMLOOPS.
W. J. Curry and wife left on Saturday night for Los Angeles, Cal. The doctor will see his wife comfortably established and then return to Kamloops. He expects to be back by the first of the new year.

So great interest was evinced in the ride about last Tuesday afternoon between teams picked from the members of Primrose Lodge, No. 20, K. of P., that the advisability of forming a Kamloops Rifle Association is now being seriously considered. The knights may take the matter up in connection with the lodge, or a separate organization altogether may be formed.
James McBride died at the Provincial Home on Sunday afternoon, after a short illness. Deceased was in his 81st year. He was a native of Ireland, and came to this country in 1868. He followed his trade as a tinsmith in Yale and Cariboo, and also in Ashcroft. Of late years he was around Savaria. McBride was one of the first to enter the Home (May 25, 1895), living at the cottage until the new building was completed.

Wm. Hudson Patrick and bride, of Ashcroft, are in town. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick were made man and wife on Monday at Clinton; Rev. Anstey Dorrell performing the marriage ceremony. Mrs. Patrick was a Miss Jeanie Westcott, daughter of Maiden Creek, near Clinton.

Janhston & Gill, the contractors, commenced excavating for the foundations of the new hotel on Saturday, and work will be continued as long as weather permits. The hotel will be known as the Hotel Cecil. The plans, drawn by Architect Clark, of Victoria, which have been accepted, provide for a four-story structure, of old English and Elizabethan design.

NEW WESTMINSTER.
Four cases of assault growing out of a free fight in Chinatown on Monday night were to have been heard in the police court on Tuesday morning. During the night, however, those interested, or who might have been drawn into the case, evidently came to the conclusion that it would be cheaper not to follow up the charges and counter-charges, which were accordingly withdrawn, and the solitary individual who had occupied the police cell over night was released.

Word was received on Tuesday from Westminster Junction of the death of Mr. William T. Brennan, eldest son of Mr. Thomas P. Brennan, and nephew of Mr. James Brennan, of this city. The deceased young man, who was in his 27th year, had been ill for some time of consumption, and passed away quietly at 7:30 p.m.

The city council met on Monday evening, pursuant to adjournment. Alderman Brown rose, on a question of privilege. He stated that on Monday evening he had been on a gentleman told him that there was a fight in town on December 1st, and that the council had paid Alderman Pack \$5 per day to superintend the repairs to the ferry steamer. Alderman Brown then asked his worship if any such payment had been made. His worship replied that he had been told that the money had been paid to Alderman Pack, and nothing could be so paid without his knowledge. The captain and purser of the ferry reported for November that the receipts were \$349.70.

VANCOUVER.
The Mansion House fund concert on Wednesday night was a great success, and as a result \$1,400 was placed in the hands of Mr. Campbell-Sweeney, hon. treasurer. This sum, with the amount raised by the Twining concert (\$150) and the Savary's matinee contribution (\$100) raises Vancouver's donation to the Soldier's Wives and Children's fund to \$1,650.

W. H. Bullock-Webster of the Provincial police, returned from Victoria on Wednesday and left, via the Canadian Pacific railway, en route for England, where he will spend a three months' vacation.

Mr. H. McDowell, whose name was mentioned recently in connection with others as possible candidates for the office of chief magistrate of the city, has disclaimed any intention of being in the field this year.

and christened it for Monroe. His names, however, together with those given by other Americans, have disappeared from the charts. "American Seamen in the Antarctic," by Albert White Vorse, in the December (Christmas) Scribner's.

THE SUNDAY PAPER.
Father reads the war news.
Mother reads the papers.
That give rules for making pillow-shams and taris.
Sister reads the columns where they tell about China and fairs and dances.
And who's coming out.
Aunt Jean reads the poems.
If they tell of love.
Once she had a fellow who had gone above.
Poor old fellow smutty!
Doesn't know we know.
Kind of and to hear her sigh and sniffle, though.
Father scolds the British.
Tells us war is wrong.
Says the weak may be as strong.
Says that war is brutal.
Says it isn't fair—
Rebels and grunts and hummers.
On his rocking-chair.
Mother reads directions of a lot of kinds.
And declares they're foolish.
But she always finds time enough to save them.
For some future day—
Never lets a single item get away.
Sister says that none of these home news appear on her page are leaders.
In the social sphere.
Sneers at what they're doing.
Laughs at each affair.
And is mighty sorry she wasn't there.

Each selects a section.
News of war for dad.
Recipes for mother.
Poems that are read.
For Aunt Jean, while Sister grubs "Society."
Leaving nothing but the Sporting page for me!
—Chicago (Ill.) Times-Herald.

ONE GASP FROM DEATH.
And Yet Not Beyond the Power of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart to Save and Cure You—This Is Not Fiction, But Fact.

The constant terror and distress of those in the thralls of heart disease, only the sufferer can know, and what a boon, so sudden a relief, and cure as Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart has proved itself to be. In many cases, recorded the patient seemed but a gasp from the grave, and this wonderful heart cure has been the means of giving relief in 30 minutes, and after taking a bottle or two perfect health has been restored and all the distressing symptoms and sufferings seen but as a dream. It cures heart, weakened by a gripe.

Sold by Deane & Hisecks and Hall & Co.
A high official of the Berlin Reichsbank in the course of an interview said: "The war in South Africa may have a slight disturbing effect upon the money market for a short time, but it will have no great or permanent effect upon the world's gold supply. This is so large and increasing so rapidly elsewhere, in America, Australia and the Klondike for instance, that a short stoppage in South Africa will be comparatively unimportant."

YOU CAN'T BLUFF IT OFF.
Wasting Diseases Exhaust Nerve Force and Must End in Nervous Prostration, Paralysis or Death.

Men hate to admit that there is anything wrong with their health. They "feel tough," are weak, nervous, tired and unable to sleep, but they hope soon to be better and will not give in.
Some ailments pass away of themselves. Not so with nervous disorders. Whether the cause is found in overwork, worry, the follies of youth or over-indulgence, the wasting process continues, until there comes nervous prostration, locomotor ataxia, paralysis and death.
Weeks or months of suffering, loss of time from business and huge doctor bills teach again the lesson that prevention is better than cure. They teach how much better it is to keep the system in health and vigor, to restore and revitalize the nervous system by using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

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(Associated Press.)
Reading, Pa., Dec. 7.—One of the most disastrous fires which has occurred here in years broke out today in Nold & Hart's hosiery factory, and before the flames could be extinguished the plant was completely destroyed. It was valued at \$250,000; insurance, \$150,000. There were about 600 girls employed. As the fire spread with alarming rapidity the girls were thrown into a general panic, and many jumped to the ground, and it is believed at least 50 were injured. Some are reported to be in a critical condition. It was also reported some were missing, but from best information obtainable no lives were lost. At 4:30 p.m. several bodies were recovered from the ruins. They were unrecognizable, being burned to a crisp. Three girls were reported missing from their homes and the presumption is that they were burned to death.

THE PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN.

No Sign of the End of Insurrection—News From General Young.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Dec. 7.—The Herald today prints a long dispatch from its Manila correspondent, which says that the hope of ending the insurrection and halting military operations which seemed so bright a few days ago, has again faded into the uncertain future. Much has to be accomplished.

Young at Vigan.

Washington, Dec. 7.—To the relief of the war department Gen. Young has been heard from after a week's absence in the interior of Luzon. Gen. Oates called this morning as follows:

"Manila, Dec. 7.—Gen. Young reports his arrival at Vigan on the evening of the 5th, having encountered a force of the enemy at Nartacan, 12 miles south of the city, whom he drove eastward into San Quentin canyon. His troops are now pressing them back. The enemy is extremely tough and strongly entrenched. About 600 prisoners, who escaped, reported that the insurgents all allowed all but American and prominent Spanish prisoners to escape from Bangueo.

Mutineers Kill an Officer.

Manila, Dec. 7.—There has been a shooting of native police in one of the towns of the island of Negros. An American officer was killed. No prisoners have yet been received.

MOB LAW IN KENTUCKY.

Relic Hunters of Fragments of the Buried Body of a Murderer.

(Associated Press.)
Mayesville, Ky., Dec. 7.—The coroner's jury held an inquest on the charred remains of Richard Coleman and rendered the simple verdict "Death at the hands of a mob." Relic hunters took away the teeth, bones, flesh and every fragment of the body they could lay hands on. All the afternoon children, some of them not more than six years old, kept up a fire around the blackened body by throwing grass, brush, bits of boards and everything combustible they could get together.

In this city the action of the mob is universally approved, even enthusiastically, by women, who think hereafter they will be safer in consequence. Some of the deprecating men, but say this case was an exception to all rules.

Late last night all that was left of the body of the unfortunate negro was raked out of the embers and buried in the potter's field. It was only a skull and two or three charred bones.

Perfect quiet reigns in the city.

DESTRUCTIVE FLOOD.

(Associated Press.)

Tacoma, Dec. 7.—Practically the whole of the river valley is one vast sheet of water. The river itself is rising fast, destroying acres of the most productive lands in the state and threatening some substantial dwellings. It is higher than ever before known since the valley was settled by white men. Several families in the vicinity of Sumner have been compelled to move to escape the torrent. The rise in the river since the recent heavy rains has been the most rapid ever known. Seventeen inches in two hours is recorded at Sumner, and now the water is six and seven feet above the ordinary high water level. At present the damage throughout the valley as a result of the freshet cannot be estimated.

A SAD ERRAND.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 7.—It is announced here that the young Duke of Manchester, who arrived a few weeks ago from England, has been hurriedly recalled by a cable from his mother, the Duchess of Manchester, announcing that his sister, young Lady Alice Montague, is dying. The duke is devotedly attached to his sister, and although she has not recently been able to live in England owing to advanced consumption, the fact that her death was likely to occur at such an early age, had been kept from her brother, who had for a long time looked for his sister's ultimate recovery. The duke will sail on Saturday.

Fire broke out in Parkin & Moore's general store at Hartney, Man., on Tuesday. The stock is almost a total loss. Insurance \$4,000. The building was owned by S. H. Dickson. The total loss by the fire will range from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

MASSING TO MEET METHUEN

(Continued from page 1.)

The Orange Free State has proclaimed the annexation of Dordrecht, about fifty miles north of Queenstown, Cape Colony.

The Lange river bridge is so completely ruined that it would be a work of great magnitude for some negroes to restore it.

REPORTED FALL OF MAFEKING.

It is a Boer Story and No Confirmation Has Been Received.

New York, Dec. 7.—A special cable to the Journal from London says: "There is no change in the war situation, and the troops of both armies are in the same position as yesterday."

RUMORED DISSENSIONS.

New York, Dec. 7.—Most of the rumors circulating just now relate to General Joubert, says a London cable to the Tribune. His illness is again reported from Lorenzo Marques, by Reuters, and General Schalkbuysen is named as his successor in supreme command of the forces around Ladysmith.

What military men in London are disposed to believe is that there have been serious dissensions among the Boer generals, and Joubert may have been set aside. A council of war is reported to have been held on Saturday with the state-attorney from Pretoria in attendance.

The same jealousies, which are known to have existed at Modder River between Transvaal and Free State leaders are suspected to be current in the Colenso camp. The Dutch allies, however, fought well against Methuen, and are likely to offer Cleary an equally desperate contest, especially as they will have a superior defensive position in Natal.

South Africans familiar with the ground say the banks of the Tugela are much higher than those of Modder, and the passage of the river will be a much more difficult and arduous undertaking. They say, with a fine glow of enthusiasm, that nothing is impossible with such soldiers as are fighting on the British side.

From Ladysmith there is a fresh series of bulletins and cable reports, one of which hints that the garrison is under half rations, while others describe the continuance of an effective bombardment.

Mr. Harmsworth's paper has the substance of a private dispatch from Ladysmith stating that the flies were more annoying than the shells; that Col. Conyngham was convalescent and fit for duty, and that Lord Dufferin's son, Lord Ava, was well.

There were reports that the Dutch force were forming north of Ladysmith, but these were not credited at the war office.

Joubert's Visit to Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Mr. Winnet, one of the proprietors of the Queen's hotel, discussing the war news yesterday with a friend, turned up the hotel register for Nov. 3rd, 1899, and found that General Joubert and family were guests at the Queen's hotel on that date.

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 7.—Stock exchange morning board—War Eagle ex. div., 279; 274; Payne, 110, 108; Montreal and London, 41, 40; Republic, ex. div., 115, 114; Sales—War Eagle, 1,000 at 278; Payne, 500 at 109; 250 at 110; 500 at 110; Republic, 3,500 at 114.

DOMINION DISPATCHES.

(Associated Press.)

Quebec, Dec. 7.—Quarterly trade returns of this port for the season of navigation just closed show a total increase of \$1,653,981 in the volume of business over 1898.

Kingston, Dec. 7.—Wm. Mason, barrister and lecturer of the school of mines, died this morning from auto-tuberculosis. He was an engineer with the British army, and was in India and Halifax.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Lord Minto goes to Toronto today to participate in the unveiling of a monument erected in honor of the volunteers belonging to the Battleford column who were killed during the North-West rebellion in 1885.

Oshawa, Dec. 7.—The plant of the McLaughlin Carriage Company was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is unknown at present, but it will be very heavy. About four hundred men are thrown out of employment.

DUTY ON LEAD.

(Associated Press.)

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The Customs Department is preparing instructions to collectors in regard to the entry of lead produced from Canadian ores and refined in the United States. Lead thus produced is taxed 15 per cent, on the cost of refining only. As it costs about one-half cent per pound to extract lead, the duty on it when reentering Canada, after being refined in the United States is about six cents per 100 pounds, as against a duty of 60 cents on foreign lead imported.

Personal.

(Associated Press.)

Barton Robinson, of Seattle, is at the Hotel.

John H. Scott, of Salem, Ore., is at the Douglas.

E. A. Wright, of Shavenigan Lake, is registered at the Dominion.

Atlixwell Davenport, inspector of the Mainland Board of Underwriters, is in the city today in the interests of the board.

P. Wallace, of Portland, who from a large number of fish for shipment at the Skeena this year, is at Hotel Victoria. He will take a refrigerated plant North next spring, and cure fish on an extensive scale.

NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—The Barbers' Union, formed here some time since to stop Sunday work, finds itself quite unable to close out Lambert's shop. Apparent to the City Council.

The police have broken up a gang of two-bit hogs, who for some time past have been regularly doing the town. W. Petrie was committed for trial today charged with carrying on a gambling house in the rear of the Savoy hotel in this city. Petrie, who formerly was partner of Mr. Jackson, in the St. James, of Vancouver.

DYNAMITE ADVOCATED.

(Associated Press.)

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 7.—Cubans here are much excited over several speeches which were made in cigar factories today by Cubans, whose names have not been revealed. The speakers were bitter and incendiary in their language regarding American occupation of Cuba, and advocated the use of force and dynamite to rid the islands of Americans.

THE POPE'S HEALTH.

(Associated Press.)

Rome, Dec. 7.—Cardinal Rampolla, papal secretary of state, has just notified the diplomats that the Pope is suffering from a slight cold, and keeps his room only as a precaution.

LABOR LEADER ILL.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 7.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is seriously ill at his home in this city, as a result of a fall from his bicycle yesterday.

THE XORA RETURNING.

(Associated Press.)

J. C. Voss, One of the Party, Arrived From Callao Last Evening.

Among the passengers by the Charnier last evening was J. C. Voss, who six months ago on Tuesday last left here in company with Percy McCord, Jack Haan, a seaman, and his son Harry Voss, on the eight-ton sloop yacht Xora, on a cruise around the Horn to Paris via many projected ports of call.

Mr. Voss, who arrived from Callao via Panama and New York gave up the trip on account of illness, he having been reduced by tropical fever until the clothes he formerly wore will fit two Vosses. He contracted malarial fever while in the tropical belt. Another reason given by him for the abandonment of the trip was the changed conditions produced by the war in the Transvaal, which, according to news given to the crew of the yacht in South America, then threatened serious European complications.

Speaking of the Xora, Mr. Voss says she is a staunch and a fast vessel. He was never on board a more seaworthy craft. During the run down to Callao, which Mr. McCord has told in a letter published in these columns, the Xora went through a storm which would have made them interesting for a large steamer, but she did not suffer at all.

The run was made in less than seventy days. On one day she made two hundred miles. When the Xora was at Cosco Island there were no treasure hunters to be seen, and the crew of the yacht did not make any search.

At the different ports of call Mr. Voss says the sloop and her crew were made much of. In Peru they were entertained by the president, who gave them a banquet, and presented Capt. Percy McCord with a medal and autograph photographs as a souvenir of the visit to Peru.

Mr. Voss is confident that had his health not failed him they would have been able to reach Paris, according to their programme, for the Xora, in his opinion, would have sailed around the Horn without mishap and reached the French capital in time for the exhibition. The yacht is now on the way here from Callao. She is being sailed up by her crew.

"Bob Peter to pay Paul." That is what they do who take stimulating food for their nerve strength.

While the yacht Xora was at Cosco Island, Percy McCord, her captain, had a narrow escape from death. He and the son of Capt. Gessler, who some eleven years ago went to seek for the buried treasure, and who is now governor of the island, found a Cuban Rifle government, went hunting wild pigs, and were lost. The two unfortunate were in the woods without food for two days and had laid down to die, having given up hope, when they were found by a search party, composed of the crew of the Xora and Capt. Gessler.

Time is Life.

The father? Gonorrhea? The doctor? The mother? Alone with her suffering child. Will the doctor never come? When the father is in the house you can't get the doctor quick enough. It's too dangerous to wait. Don't make such a mistake again; it may cost a life. Always keep on hand a dollar bottle of

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It cures the croup at once. For bronchitis, whooping cough, hoarseness, asthma, pleurisy, weak lungs, loss of voice, and consumption, there is no remedy so equal. A 25c. bottle will cure a miserable cold; the 50c. size is better for a cough that has been hanging on. But the dollar bottle is more economical in the long run.

Provincial Gazette

A Long List of Miscellaneous Announcements in This Week's Issue.

Tenders Called For Matsui Drying Machinery—District Revision Courts.

The Official Gazette this week contains the following announcements:

Extra-Provincial Companies. The following are registered as extra-provincial companies: The Kootenay Supply Co., Ltd., of Glasgow, Scotland, \$20,000; local office Nelson; Polak and Martin, attorneys.

New School Boundaries.

The boundaries of the North Saanich and Sidney school districts are redefined by the minister of education.

Assignment.

Bulmer, Webb & Co., grocers of Roseland, have assigned. The creditors meet at Roseland on Dec. 15th.

Laid Over Claims.

All place claims and households in Nelson, Altonworth and Arrow Lake mining divisions are laid over until May 1st, 1900.

Tenders for Drying Machinery.

F. C. Gamble, inspector of dykes, will receive sealed proposals up to Jan. 6th for furnishing and installing two pumps of 16,000 imperial gallons capacity per minute at the Matsui dyke.

Tramway Company.

Application will be made to the Legislature for an act to incorporate a company to operate tramways in the districts of Kootenay and Yale.

Grand Jurors Revision Court.

A setting of the Victoria avenue and Second street local improvement court of revision will be held at Grand Forks on January 9th at 10 a.m.

A Company Assigns.

Notice is given that the Nelson Poor-man Gold Mining Co. is in liquidation. W. M. Rotford of Vancouver being liquidator and C. C. Bennett inspector.

Greenwood Tramway.

Geo. R. Naden, Duncan Ross and G. H. Collins, of Greenwood, give notice of their desire to form a company under the name of the Greenwood & Phoenix Tramway Company, to operate a road from Greenwood to Phoenix, Deadwood, Long Lake and other camps.

Time Limit for Private Bills.

Clerk Fell gives notice that the time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for private bills will expire on January 13th, and bills must be presented to the House not later than January 25th. Reports from the committee on private bills will not be received after February 1st.

Up-Country Revision Courts.

For Yale-Lytton district, courts of revision, are announced as follows: At Yale, December 20th at 10 a.m.; at Lytton, December 27th at 10 a.m.; at Spence's Bridge, December 28th at 10 a.m.; at Ashcroft, December 29th at 10 a.m.

Extended Powers for Vancouver.

Vancouver city will apply at the next sitting of the legislature for an act to revise and consolidate its Incorporation Act, asking among other things for power to abolish the ward system, to provide under certain conditions for the government of the city by commissioners and to assess street railways with part of the cost of watering streets.

Mining Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Vancouver Boundary Creek Developing and Mining Company will be held at Pentleton on January 8th at 9 a.m. to confirm options given the company by R. Wood and W. M. Hall, to issue mortgage stock, and to appoint a special commission of three or four shareholders to buy or sell properties for the company.

Incorporated Companies.

The following companies are incorporated: Boundary-Republic Mines, of Rossland, capital, \$1,500,000; Tammany Gold Mine, of Rossland, capital, \$125,000; The Unexplored Mines, of Rossland, capital, \$92,500; Sutherland, Hydroelectric Gold Mining Company, of Carleton Place, capital, \$500,000; The Magic Caster Co., of Kamloops, capital, \$15,000.

Waterminster-Barnet Road.

Sealed tenders will be received by W. S. Gore, department commissioner of lands and works, up to January 3rd, for the construction of a wagon road from the east side of the Westminster-Hastings wagon road, at its intersection with the continuation of Hastings street, in the Hastings township, to Barnet, situated at Burrard Inlet.

Licensed Assayers.

As a result of the recent examination in assaying certificate have been granted to the following to practice assaying in the province:

Under Sec. 2 Sub-Sec. 1.—Wm. J. Watson, Vancouver; Geoffrey B. Kitter, Victoria; Wm. M. Cook, Victoria; Thos. R. Robertson, of Albert Canyon.

Under Sec. 2 Sub-Sec. 2.—Cecil M. Bryant, Vancouver; G. P. Gillman, Vancouver; Chas. P. Merritt, Grand Forks; Horace W. Mussen, Nelson; Chris. Outbitt, Kamloops.

Local Courts of Revision.

Judge S. Perry Mills will hold courts of revision as follows:

For Victoria City—At Victoria, Dec. 20th and 30th, at 11:30 a.m.

For South Victoria—At Royal Oak on Dec. 23rd at 11:30; at John Camps, S. Saanich, Jan. 13th, at 12 noon.

For North Saanich—At Sidney hotel on Jan. 12th at 12 noon.

For Esquimalt—At H. Price's, Parson's Bridge, Dec. 22nd, at 11 a.m.

For Coast Rupert, Sayward and Quatsno Land Districts—At Victoria on Jan. 16th at 12 noon.

For Barclay, Clayoquot and Renfrew Land Districts—At Victoria on Jan. 5th at 12 noon.

Appointments.

His Honor the Just. Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments:

To be justices of the peace for the counties of Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Westminster, Yale, Cariboo, and Kootenay: Harry Sammonds Law, Al-bert; Justus E. Knight, Ashcroft.

Harry Wright, of Nelson, to be mining recorder, collector under the Revenue Tax Act, for Nelson district, registrar for births, marriages and deaths for Nelson riding, collector of voters for Nelson riding and registrar under the Marriage Act, vice Duncan A. McLeath, resigned.

To be notaries public, Robt. K. Houl-gate and Geo. A. Bonit, of Vancouver, for the counties of Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Westminster, Yale and Kootenay; Walter J. G. Hillier, of Es-sington, for the counties of Nanaimo, Vancouver, Westminster, Yale, Cariboo and Kootenay.

Victoria Cets The Trade

More Than 60 Per Cent of Canadian Goods Shipped North Bought Here.

Customs Statistics Show How Victorians Built Up Their Trade.

According to statistics of the customs house over 20,000 tons of goods of various kinds were sent in to the Klondike, Atlin and other northern gold fields from Victoria during the season just closed.

Of the imports of the northland during the past eleven months of the year now closing eighty per cent were Canadian goods. The books of the Skagway wharves, railway men and customs, both of Canada and the United States, show this, and of this eighty per cent, Victoria merchants sent up sixty per cent, or about 48 per cent, of the whole imports of the North. All this goes to show that Victorians have well earned the reputation of hiding their light under a bushel in as far as their mercantile business is concerned.

Collector of Customs Milne, who has forwarded statistical returns in this connection to Ottawa, says he is confident that Victorians now enjoy fifty per cent of the aggregate trade of the North. To show how the trade has grown the return of the values of goods sent in by way of Lynn Canal from Victoria during the past four years is given:

1907	53,000
1908	273,000
1909	1,586,000
1900	2,079,000

This year includes only the first eleven months, but the season practically closes on December 1st, although duties are still being collected at Bennett on its-going goods. During October, as already noted in these columns, Bennett collected more money than any other port or town of British Columbia.

Mr. Milne says the Victoria merchants having already corralled the trade via Lynn Canal and the passes are preparing to attack that of the lower river. All the spirits sent north last year were shipped by Victoria houses. The trading companies who by long experience have learned where to buy, it will be noted, bought most of their supplies in Canada. Victoria getting its full share of the trade.

AT HYMEN'S ALTAR.

Marriage of Major Jones and Miss Emma Loewen at the Cathedral Last Evening.

Christ Church Cathedral was the scene of a very pretty wedding yesterday afternoon when Major Arthur Wm. Jones was united in marriage to Miss Emma Loewen, of Rockwood, Victoria. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Canon Beaudais, who was assisted by the Lord Bishop of Columbia.

The bride was attired in white satin, trimmed with Brussels' applique, and court train of brocade. She also wore a diamond and pearl pendant and carried a bouquet of white carnations and roses, both being gifts of the groom.

The sisters of the bride, Misses Dolly, Eva, Gerlie and Laura Loewen, attended her and wore white silk gowns, trimmed with blue tulle and ribbon, picture hats with chiffon strings fastened with pearl star brooches. These and the bouquets which they carried were the gifts of the groom.

As train bearers the bride had Misses Muriel and Kathleen Dunsmuir, while Misses Jessie Price and Doris Hirscholt, Cohen also attended as maids. All four wore pearl heart brooches, the gift of the groom, and were dressed in white silk, with lace insertion over pink slips and white velvet poke bonnets trimmed with blue.

The groom had the support of Mr. G. W. R. Stuart, with Messrs. Warburton, C. J. Prior, M. Pipe and S. Holt as groomsmen, and Messrs. R. W. Dunsmuir, G. C. Johnson, D. M. Rogers and T. E. and R. H. Pooley as ushers.

The cathedral was packed to the doors with well wishers of the happy couple, and was handsomely decorated.

A reception followed at Rockwood, and later Mr. and Mrs. Jones left for San Francisco on their honeymoon. The bride's going-away dress was of purple cloth with white satin trimmings, with hat to match.

"A REPLY TO MR. CHAMBERLAIN."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 7.—The Narve Vremya commenting upon President McKinley's message to Congress, says: "The statement that the United States declines all alliances serves as a reply to Mr. Chamberlain. Great Britain's feeling of kinship with the United States will last as long as it is to the advantage of England. The present feeling of kinship is one of the most singular episodes in contemporary history."

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TENDERS.

Steamer Reindeer.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon, December 20th, 1899, for the purchase of the steam-wheel steamer "Reindeer," as she now lies in winter quarters above Five Fingers, Yukon river.

Description: Built and registered at Victoria, 1888; length, 121.3 ft.; breadth, 22 ft.; depth, 4.4 ft.; reg. tonnage, 224.50; two H. P. 12 inch, 5 foot stroke, engines.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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